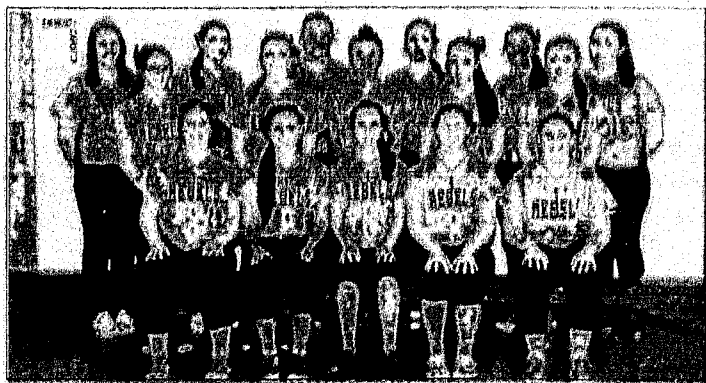




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School budget gets first nod; capital projects pass

By AMY WIGHT CHAPMAN

About 70 SAD 44 residents attended the annual school district budget meeting at Telstar on Tuesday, passing all 21 articles on the warrant in just over an hour.

In addition to the articles related to the 11 cost centers in the district budget, voters agreed to transfer \$400,000 from unexpended balances to the capital reserve fund, and approved three capital improvement projects totaling \$576,000.

Expenditures for the completion of roof repairs at the Telstar complex (\$90,000), playground equipment at both Crescent Park School and Woodstock Elementary School (\$116,000), and a multiple pellet boiler project and carbon dioxide sensors at CPS (\$370,000) were all approved, to be paid from the capital reserve fund.

The proposed pellet boiler project drew the most discussion, with Maintenance Supervisor Ron Deegan responding to voters' questions about the age and condition of the present oil boiler at CPS, the current cost of oil vs. pellets, and whether the district had considered solar panels when seeking an alternative method of heating the school.

Deegan said the industry projects the life of the current boiler, which is about

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Sunny is an eight-year-old retired guide dog who now lives with Pat Carter of Bethel. Sunny formerly served as Lynn Mason-Courtney's guide. Though the dog is retired, if Carter puts Sunny's old "service dog" vest on her, the canine will snap right back into duty mode. Mason-Courtney said having something on Sunny's back (similar to the guide harness) is a signal to the dog that she's back in her old role. Walking around town, Sunny still pays attention to where cars are. "She's always looking around," said Carter.

A. Aloisio

"Sunny" the guide dog adjusts to retirement

By ALISON ALOISIO

A guide dog may retire, but it never ceases being a guide dog.

That's what Pat Carter of Bethel has learned over the past year and a half, since she adopted "Sunny," an eight-year-old retiree who formerly served as Lynn Mason-Courtney's guide dog.

Sunny had suffered an attack from another dog and could no longer work.

Mason-Courtney said that Sunny's next person "had to be someone very special," to understand

the training that would never leave her.

"I've known her [Sunny] quite a few years," said Carter, so the steps leading to adopting her "evolved."

For Carter and her husband, Ted, Sunny "has taught us a great deal," she said. "She wants to go everywhere with you - and she always walks on the left."

Guide dogs are taught to lead a blind or visually impaired person from the left.

"She's part of your body," said Carter.

Carter has observed that Sunny is very intelligent and curious. "She picks up on everything," she said.

Sunny had to get used to having a man around all the time, as she had lived her previous life primarily around women.

Adjusting to occasionally being left home alone was difficult for a dog trained to watch over someone 24/7. When Carter had to take a relative for a medical procedure and was

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Gould Academy seniors graduate on Saturday

Gould Academy's 180th Commencement Weekend begins Friday afternoon, June 3 with a baccalaureate ceremony and concert, and is followed by the school's commencement ceremony on Saturday, June 4 at 10:30 a.m.

During the student's baccalaureate ceremony at the West Parish Congregational Church, The Reverend Dr. Timothy J. Leconey will deliver the invocation to a closed group of parents, faculty, and friends, after which class member Demetri Maxim '16 and English Teacher Alexandra Waldron have been elected by the senior class to address them.

Following the invoca-

tion, the Gould Academy Music Department - under the direction of Gould Performing Arts Faculty James McLaughlin III P'16 and Edison Quinatoa - will present its annual commencement concert in Bingham Auditorium. This free community concert begins at 7:30 p.m. and features both student instrumental and vocal selections.

Then, on Saturday, June 4, starting at 10:30 a.m. on Alumni Field, Gould's 180th Commencement will begin, with alumna Hilary E. Hough '07 leading the bagpipe procession.

This year's keynote commencement speaker is

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Math teachers hired for Telstar

By AMY WIGHT CHAPMAN

At last week's SAD 44 School Board meeting, directors approved Supt. David Murphy's nominations of two new math teachers and a district speech pathologist to first probationary contracts for the 2016-17 school year.

Haley Chamberlain will teach math at Telstar High School. Murphy said Chamberlain is a recent graduate of the University of New Hampshire. She did her student teaching in Skowhegan and will spend the summer teaching pre-calculus and calculus classes at Upward Bound, UNH's college preparatory program.

Murphy noted that Chamberlain's employment in SAD 44 is contin-

gent upon her obtaining teacher certification from the Maine Department of Education.

Carol Reynolds was approved as a math teacher at Telstar Middle School. She has previous experience as a fifth and sixth grade classroom teacher, as a seventh grade math teacher, and as an adjunct faculty member at Husson College.

Murphy told board members that finding certified math instructors is often difficult, and he and the Telstar administration felt fortunate to be able to hire two highly qualified candidates.

He said after the meeting that there is one remaining math position to fill at

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A look at Telstar's graduation rate

By AMY WIGHT CHAPMAN

At a May 17 public hearing to discuss school withdrawal in Newry, about 40 residents also discussed the cost and quality of education in SAD 44.

David Berry, who has coached sports in the district for many years, criticized the quality of education. He said there are students and parents who don't like the education at Telstar, with many good students choosing to go elsewhere, such as Gould Academy or Oxford Hills or Mountain Valley high schools. He also said the dropout rate was high.

According to information provided on line at the Dept. of Education's Data Warehouse, Telstar's graduation rate (the percent who enrolled as freshmen who graduated) has been trending upward for the past few years, and it compares favorably with

the graduation rates of other public high schools in the area.

Data shows that Telstar's graduation rate is higher in four of the last five years than that of either Mountain Valley or Oxford Hills.

In 2011-12, the rate was 81.58 percent, which improved to 82.86 percent in 2012-13, 87.27 percent in 2013-14, and 89.47 percent in 2014-15.

The rate at Oxford Hills, which was 85.87 percent in 2011-12, was 80.15 percent last year.

Mountain Valley's graduation rate improved over the same period, from 80.77 percent in 2011-12 to 83.91 percent in 2014-15.

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A SPECIAL DAY FOR COACH AND SENIORS-At the last Telstar High School home softball game May 27, fans and alumni honored both the dozen seniors on the squad and Coach Jim Lunney (at left in back row), who is retiring from teaching this year. The seniors and alumni players present gathered for this photo. After the game a reception for all took place. Lunney said he has not yet decided if he will also retire from coaching.

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VOTE FOR WHITNEY

To the Editor:

I wish to write a letter in support of Andy Whitney running for a Bethel Selectmen position. I have enjoyed following his achievements as a student and three-sport athlete at Telstar, where he earned several awards and scholarships. He has been involved in our community from a young age. He is very knowledgeable about current events and is not afraid to voice his opinions and get involved to find solutions to issues. I find him to be very trustworthy and responsible. He is a great role model for our youth and has earned the respect of those who know him.

For one so young, his accomplishments and experience are many. Andy started his business ARW Products and Services (now known as Mountain Mowing and More) while in high school. This business currently employs several local people and continues to grow. He works as a county deputy sheriff, is a lieutenant for the Bethel Fire Department, and also works for Bethel Rescue. He has coached middle school baseball at Telstar and currently plays on the Bethel Braves Pine Tree Baseball team. As part of the Sheriff's Department he has been active in supporting the Special Olympics. Andy has a degree in both Public Administration and Criminal Justice.

I find it amazing that such a young person is interested in town politics and the future of Bethel. Please join me in voting for Andy Whitney for Selectman on Tuesday, June 14.

Eleanor Brooks
Bethel

BETHEL LIBRARY FUNDRAISERS

To the Editor:

It's the time of year for the Bethel Library Association's Annual Plant Sale, which will happen this Saturday June 4, rain or shine on the Library lawn, from 9 to 10 a.m. Don't miss this chance to find just the right plants for your garden at a great price, all while supporting your local library. The Plant Sale also marks the beginning of the 2016 Dining Raffle. This is your first chance of the season to purchase a ticket to win a bundle of gift certificates to some of our area's incredible restaurants. Three winning tickets will be drawn in September at the Harvest Fest.

These fundraisers are a critical component of our library's annual budget, and they allow us to provide rich experiences for this community. Recent programming has included several book talks and signings by Maine authors such as Tom and Bob Remington, a series of Technology for Seniors classes, and the twice monthly Children's Story Hour.

The businesses that have generously donated to the raffle this year are Kowloon Village, Good Food Store, Smokin' Good BBQ, Local Hub, Mill Hill Inn, Sudbury Inn, Funky Red Barn, Rooster's Roadhouse, Bethel Inn, S.S. Milton, Jolly Drayman, Hitching Post, Pat's Pizza, 22 Broad Street, Sunday River Brew Pub, Black Diamond Steakhouse, and Camp Restaurant at Sunday River.

As we visited these establishments this spring to seek donations, I was especially mindful about how our business community is asked constantly to give to a variety of athletic, educational, and nonprofit organizations. They give graciously time and time again. They must recognize that we are all working together to make the Bethel area an outstanding place to live, work, play, and visit. The Bethel Library Association appreciates the business community's generosity, and we can all thank them by remembering to dine out and shop locally as often as possible.

If you cannot purchase a raffle ticket this Saturday, you will see us again at the Art Fair, Mollycoddett Day, summer weekends at the IGA, and at the Harvest Fest. Good luck, and may you be the lucky owner of a winning ticket!

Martha Siegel
Bethel Library Association

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CANDIDATE FOR SELECTMAN

To the Editor:

Those of us who have been involved in volunteering for some time are most familiar with the old adage, "service above self." With that clearly in mind, I am formally announcing my intention to seek another term as a Bethel Selectman and Assessor.

There are many significant issues before the town that require experienced leadership. We have been privileged to have a town manager who is doing everything possible to be a real leader in her field of endeavor. I have been working closely with her for the past two years and have encouraged her to aim high in her goals for success, which can only help the town's chances for a brighter future.

A number of townspeople have encouraged me to seek re-election and I am willing to see what I can accomplish in the next few years. I am dedicated to duty and in the past dozen years have not missed a single meeting of the Board of Selectmen. If I am re-elected, I will do my best to continue my record of attendance and my dedication to "service above self." I hope you will give me your support on June 14.

Stan Howe
Bethel

SUPPORT HOWE, BENNETT

To the Editor:

Bethel has several important and complicated issues facing them at this time, namely the Bingham Forest, equitable sewer rates and the direction of the Comprehensive Plan.

I have been on the board for five years and witnessed the struggles to bring resolution to the above issues. It has been back to the drawing board many times over the sewer rates, but at some point it will be resolved as well as the other challenges. There is now a glimmer of light at the end of the tunnel.

Stan Howe and Don Bennett have worked tirelessly to this end. These men have served the town for many years and know how the town works. Since I know the time required for board meetings, serving on committees, traveling to meetings, I also know the time commitment is considerable. Our town manager has a big job to do, however, the selectmen are right in there helping and guiding.

I feel Bethel needs Stan and Don to bring culmination to the groundwork which has been put in place. At this particular juncture in time it would be unfair to the town's people to cripple the forward progress.

Pat Carter
Bethel

CROCKETT FOR PROBATE

To the Editor:

On June 14 we will face a decision that affects a core government function, the primary election of the Republican candidate for Judge of Probate. As you consider your vote, I ask that you consider the candidate which exhibits compassion, sensitivity and practicality in serving all citizens having cases to come before our Probate Court.

The Judge of Probate's role is to determine the enforceability of wills, assure the proper administration of decedents' and incapable individuals' estates and trusts, consider child adoptions and approve name changes.

Our candidate must be a candidate who will ease the burdens of bureaucracy and paperwork; one who will best interpret the laws and protect the needs of our residents.

I believe Jarrod Crockett is that person. I have known Jarrod for many, many years and I feel he embodies all of the attributes necessary for this position. Jarrod is an intelligent, fair-minded, honest, caring, and responsible person who embraces whatever he does with dedication and enthusiasm. All of which are necessary traits as Judge of Probate.

I believe that Jarrod will carry on the tradition of the excellent judges who have preceded him and I urge you to join me in supporting Jarrod Crockett as the Republican nominee for Judge of Probate.

Thank you.

Jeri Brooks Greenwell
Bethel

CREATE CHANGE FOR LYME TREATMENT

To the Editor:

Good morning all! Bet you're wondering why Lyme Disease Awareness Month has passed and you haven't heard a peep out of us! No letters. No green ribbons. No decorations. Nothing. Well, unfortunately we've both been sick again and have to reserve all the energy we can muster for simple acts of daily living. However, just the other day we got a frantic call from a local mom, sharing her experience from the day before at the Emergency Department and we had to respond. This is the kind of stuff that, as co-founders of the Mt. Valley Lyme Disease Awareness Coalition, battling Lyme disease ourselves and as very active and vocal advocates for Lyme disease patients' rights, makes our Lymie blood boil!

The mom had taken her 8 year-old son to the Emergency Department because he found an attached tick in a very personal and painful location on his body. He was seen by the nurse practitioner on duty who, according to mom, didn't seem to be all that concerned. After an unsuccessful attempt to remove the tick, the NP told the mom the doctor would be in to check things out. A doctor never did show up and the boy was sent home with part of the tick still embedded and NO treatment despite mom's pleadings for antibiotics. Even the outdated and very restrictive Infectious Disease Society of America Lyme Disease treatment guidelines, which have recently been removed from the US National Treatment Guidelines Clearinghouse site, but which most doctors still refer to, recommend some form of treatment with a known tick attachment in an endemic area, which Maine certainly is! In the past, doctors who chose, based on their own best clinical judgment, to treat outside those restrictive guidelines have been subject to a whole host of reprimands, up to and including the loss of their medical license. So, someone explain to us why should it be okay for a doctor to not treat by any guidelines?

The next day the mom took her son to his primary care doctor's office. His primary care physician was not in so he was seen by the doctor covering. Again, according to mom, there was little concern for the still attached tick... "It'll work its way out eventually..." The boy was given two Doxycycline tablets. Yes, that's correct... two pills! Latest research shows that one or two pills is not enough to kill the bacteria but may be enough to stop the rash from showing up. The rash is the symptom most doctors recognize as Lyme disease. This two-pill protocol is so wrong. It significantly increases a person's risk of developing tick-borne illness symptoms later on that no one will relate back to the earlier tick attachment. It's been over a week now since the young man found the attached tick. A recent conversation with the grandmother revealed that the tick still had not "worked itself out" and nothing further has been done to help despite mom's efforts. This is wrong!

Since this incident we have been informed of so many other similar cases where hospitals and/or primary care physicians have either refused treatment or under treated with just one or two Doxycycline pills. One was a lady that had five attached ticks. She pulled them off, saved them and took them with her to the Emergency Department. The doctor in charge looked at them and said they were female deer ticks so no need for concern. Red rashes, the classic bull eye rash associated with Lyme disease, of which less than 50 percent of individuals get, had already formed around two of the tick bite sites. The doctor prescribed one single dose of Doxycycline saying that's all she would need and sent her on her way! Another lady found an embedded tick attached to her neck after being out for a walk. She went to her local clinic and what did they give her? One single dose of Doxycycline. A teenager boy discovered an embedded tick in his armpit. He went to the clinic in his area. The doctor removed the tick and told him it had not been attached long enough to warrant treatment and to come back if he developed any symptoms. So, no treatment at all. A three year old little girl taken to the ED with two attached ticks, one of which was fully engorged. The telltale EM rash had already started around the area of the engorged tick and the removed ticks were brought along for "evidence." The doctor told them "We don't treat kids unless they are over 8 years old." No treatment. An adult female removed an engorged tick. She developed a fever, flu-like symptoms and an expanding rash at the attachment site. The doctor told her it wasn't Lyme and to "wait and see what happens." When she continued to get worse, he gave her two Doxycycline pills and told her to come back in five or six weeks.

Again, this is wrong! All of it! The whole no treatment, one or two-pill protocol, lack of concern, etc. is wrong. It's wrong on so many levels and it needs to change. So, if you or someone you know is refused treatment with a known tick attachment and/or a rash or given the one or two-pill protocol, please contact us. We'll help you make it right. If we all work together, we can create change. It's the only way it will happen.

Rhonda Buker and Diane Farnum, Co-Founders
Mt. Valley Lyme Disease Awareness Coalition

Our Back Pages

By Danna Brown Nickerson

10 years ago: Tineke Ouwinga of Bethel, a native of the Netherlands, spoke at the town's Memorial Day observance.

Dana Bullen was named president and managing director of Sunday River Ski Resort.

Deaths: Arthur A. Breau, Ella May Hayes, Elsie Abbott Bennett, Doris E. Maxim.

20 years ago: Volunteers from the Boy Scouts, Gould Academy, and the Rotary were raking and cutting brush at Woodland Cemetery.

Persis Post escaped injury when her vehicle struck a moose on Rt. 26. Damage to the car was estimated at \$1,500, and the moose went into the woods and could not be found.

Births: Lindsey Nadine Keith, Marie Ira Ring, Chelsea Ann Merrill.

Deaths: James J. Dock, Mary W. Kuzyk.

30 years ago: Area firefighters rode the chairlift at Sunday River to reach a stubborn brush fire at the top of the mountain. A firefighting helicopter from the Maine Warden Service also assisted.

The DOE announced it was suspending its search for a high-level nuclear waste site in Maine.

Birth: Sara Jean Stevens.

Death: Roy W. Bennett.

40 years ago: The Knights of Pythias Canoe Marathon took place between South Andover and Rumford Point. The main race started at 8:30 am and the powder puff at 1:30 pm.

The Gilead Women's Club held a very successful white elephant auction with the proceeds going to benefit the recreation fund.

Births: Angela Marie Smith, Christopher Ray West.

Deaths: Mrs. Ethel C. Cummings, Fred B. Hall, William C. Thornton, Sr.

50 years ago: A fire of undetermined origin destroyed the interior of Song-O-Home, summer home of Mr. & Mrs. John Kallis at Songo Pond.

Thirteen cars of a 39 car Portland-bound freight train derailed east of Gilead, tearing up 225 feet of track.

Births: William Frederick McMillin, Floyd Elton Cole, Thyrn Danielson.

Death: Elmon Jordan.

60 years ago: Richard Douglass purchased the John Burbank property on Chapman Street (now owned by Steve and Lynda Chandler).

Mrs. Ethel Bisbee was honored on her 40th year as a teacher in the Bethel Primary School. An audience of over 600 people packed the William Bingham Gymnasium for the event.

Deaths: Mrs. Ethel Morse Haselton, Mrs. Arminta Luxton.

70 years ago: A joint committee of School Union 22 met at the Grammar school building and interviewed candidates for the superintendency.

The Memorial Day address was given by David C. Thompson.

80 years ago: Bethel was to consider the purchase of a fire pumper at a special town meeting.

The Garden Club of Bethel voted to have a flower show in August.

Death: Ivan H. Tuell.

90 years ago: Bean and Fox Co. purchased the J. W. White lumber shed and stock.

Death: Mrs. Susan P. Kendrick.

110 years ago: Dr. King of Portland, accompanied by a trained nurse, went to Newry where he performed an operation for appendicitis. He was assisted by Dr. R. R. Tibbetts.

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gone all day, she came home to an upset canine. "She sulked. She would turn her head away," said Carter. Another adjustment has been going outside on her own now and then. "It took a while before she wanted to venture anywhere from the house on her own," said Carter. "Now she will walk on the property, and a little into the woods, and

dig a little (which they are trained not to do). She's learning a new life." A good part of that new life is a chair Sunny has adopted, located on the edge of the living room and right next to the kitchen, where she can keep an eye on everything, including food preparation. "She doesn't miss a thing. She's a chow hound," said Carter.

Letters

FLYING MONKEYS THANKS

To the Editor:

The Bethel area Flying Monkeys Relay for Life team had their yard sale recently and we would like to thank the community for all the support they have shown us. As is for most of us, cancer has affected each one of us in one way or another. So we are all very passionate about helping raise funds and awareness for the American Cancer Society. The outpouring for support shown by our community in donations for the yard sale, purchasing of baked goods, raffle tickets and coming out to the yard sale was overwhelming. The team raised a good sum of money to help patients and research in an effort to find a cure. THANK YOU to the Bethel community!

Now congratulations to all the winners of our raffle, but thank you to the local businesses that donated to make our raffle a success. The winners are as follows: Oil change at Paaso Racing-M. Vreeland, six yoga classes with Christine Liberti Yoga-K. Lowe, Six yoga classes with Christine Liberti Yoga-M. Smith, 60-minute massage by Sarah Lister Massage therapist-L. Parson, Two one-day passes for the 2016-17 Sunday River ski season-O. Hayes, Two one-day passes for the 2016-17 Sunday River ski season-S. Forkus, three-month membership to Workout 24/7-M. Smith, \$50 gift certificate to Ruthie's-B. Swan, White water rafting trip for two on Kennebec River with Dead River Expeditions, The Forks, Me.-T. Walker, White water rafting trip for two on the Kennebec River with Dead River Expeditions, The Forks, Me.-Tuesday.

Again a huge thank to the local businesses for the raffle donations and thank you to the community for making the raffle, yard sale and bake sale successful. For anyone interested in joining us for a few laps around the Oxford County Fairgrounds on June 18 from 11 a.m.-11 p.m. please feel free to stop over and helps us celebrate life with amazing fighters. There will be activities for all ages all day, a DJ, food, drink and inspirational speakers. The event is free.

Ronnie Yourell
Greenwood

ON MARIJUANA SIGN

To the Editor:

Remember when the tobacco industry once claimed cigarettes were good for your health only to find out it is still the #1 cause of preventable death in the United States? Just when we thought we were making headway on the tobacco industry preying on our health and our youth, along comes a new concern: marijuana.

Marijuana enthusiasts claim all kinds of health benefits from using the drug. Whether or not those claims turn out to be true, we just can't say with certainty right now. Truth in advertising rules say advertisers must have evidence to back up their claims. Cannabis is not a Food and Drug Administration approved treatment - for anything.

Then there is the placement of the sign on Main Street in the Town of Mexico flashing the following messages: "Weed the People.com" "Cannabis Oil Cures Cancer" and "Natural Cures."

Frosty Delite is a family spot where the ad is viewed by a large audience of children. There are regulations restricting viewership for alcohol and tobacco ads to mostly adult audiences. The alcohol industry has ad placement standards requiring at least 71.6 percent of the audience be 21 or older. Tobacco advertisement is banned within 1,000 feet of schools and playgrounds. Youth are impressionable and their developing brains are more susceptible to addiction. Limiting alcohol and tobacco promotions in places with a significant youth viewership is the right and decent thing to do.

Marijuana is still an illegal substance. We believe the owners of the sign promoting marijuana should at least follow the same guidelines, like alcohol and tobacco. Please join us in encouraging them to do the right thing.

Allie Burke
River Valley Rising, Rumford

On encountering guide dogs - and their people



Lynn Mason-Courtney with Barton and Ann Nicholson with Fairst.

By ALISONALOISIO

For a blind or visually impaired person just learning to navigate with a new guide dog, streets and sidewalks and buildings can be a challenge.

It can also be a challenge for the sighted people who encounter them.

Two Bethel women who have guide dogs recently offered some tips and insights into their world, in order to help area residents who may encounter them.

Ann Nicholson lost her sight completely when she was 30. She first got a seeing eye dog six years later. But getting a dog does not relieve the person of responsibilities, she said.

"You need your own skills first," said Nicholson, in order to be able to work efficiently with a dog.

For example, the person needs to be able to identify by sound the traffic patterns - when one line of cars starts up and another stops - at an intersection before crossing safely with a guide dog.

A common question from sighted people, she said, is whether the dog can distinguish red from green lights.

That's not how it works. "The dog does what it is asked to do," she said.

As dog and person work together to cross a street, said Lynn Mason-Courtney, who is visually impaired, drivers will sometimes call out their window, "It's safe, you can go now."

Though well-meaning, she said, it's not helpful. She usually responds, "Thanks, I have to do it myself."

Another driver habit that can confuse the person and the dog is honking the horn. It's uncertain

what the horn means - it could mean to go ahead or it could be a warning that the car is close by, Nicholson said.

Another bit of helpful knowledge she shared is that guide dogs should not be patted while in harness.

If a dog lover approaches and tries or asks to pat Fairst, her current dog, Nicholson will either say, "My dog is working so it's distracting," or she will have her sit and she will take the harness off, a signal to the dog that she's "off-duty" and may enjoy the attention.

A large safety issue - which Mason-Courtney has unfortunately encountered multiple times over the years - is a dog running loose that attacks a guide dog. Mason-Courtney has had several dogs retired (and one put to sleep) because of injuries or trauma that prevented them from continuing to work after the attack.

Traffic and pedestrian safety aside, the women also offered pointers on interacting with a blind person generally.

It's okay to offer assistance, such as a guiding elbow - just be accepting regardless of whether the answer is "yes," or "no, thanks," said Nicholson. And, she said, "It's our responsibility to tell someone how to help."

Nicholson said blind people can take classes themselves on how to ask for help from others, "and get what you need."

She also noted with some humor that when she approaches a group of people who are talking, they often stop talking.

"Don't stop talking," she said, "because now I can't tell where you are!"

Telstar

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but remained lower than Telstar's graduation rate each year.

"We have taken a number of steps to try to improve those rates in recent years," said Supt. David Murphy by e-mail.

He cited an ongoing effort under the district's multi-year TIF grant to customize learning through improved use of data, the implementation of the CMCC program (a dual enrollment option under which Telstar seniors attend college classes and obtain college credits while fulfilling their high school graduation requirements), and use of Edmentum online courses to supplement the curriculum.

THS Principal Cheryl Lang said the new schedule being implemented for the 2016-17 school year is intended to make better use of instructional time to prepare students for college and careers, as well as improve student support by providing them with more access to teachers outside of class.

Under the new schedule, instructional time per course over a two-week period will increase from 400 to 500 minutes, and an emphasis on the workshop model of instruction will ensure that students are engaged and each class meeting is focused on specific learning objectives, she said.

"We have to be very intentional and purposeful with every minute we have here," Lang said.

Both she and Dean of Students Kristin Dacko said many students found it difficult to make constructive use of the 80-minute unstructured study hall time under the schedule that has been in place at Telstar for many years.

Instead, the new schedule offers a school-wide study time when students

will be able to meet with teachers for extra help to reinforce classroom learning, according to Lang.

Solutions to address the dropout rate have been explored for some time in SAD 44.

The dropout rate is the percentage of all enrolled high school students who withdraw in a given year without transferring to another program according to the DOE.

A Lewiston Sun Journal article in April of 2010 reported that a dropout rate of 8.6 percent in 2000-01 had been cut to 3.4 percent for 2008-09 and cited the efforts of a Dropout Committee that was formed in the mid-1990s.

Since then, the dropout rate at Telstar has fluctuated, but overall has continued to fall. In 2013-14 was 2.21 percent; in 2014-15 it was 1.33 percent.

Currently, Lang said, a Student Assistance Team, consisting of the school social worker, guidance counselor, nurse, and THS administrators, meets regularly to review students identified as at risk of school failure.

The Student Assistance Team receives referrals from the weekly professional development meetings in which all THS teachers participate.

At those weekly sessions, teachers focus on the approximately 14 students who are members of their Satellite advisor groups. All teachers share access to a document that reflects each student's progress, concerns identified by staff members, and proposed next steps to address those concerns.

"No one falls through the cracks. Every student is getting some eyes on him or her every week," Lang said.

(The writer is a substitute teacher in the SAD 44 Adult Education Department.)

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Murphy said the new SAD 44 website is now on line and offers great improvements over the previous website, both in aesthetics and ease of navigation.

"We're up and running, but we're still

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Valedictorian
Valedictorian Edison Yi '16 is the son of Mr. Jian Guo Yi and Mrs. Qin Yang of Shanghai, China. He came to Gould Academy four years ago as a ninth

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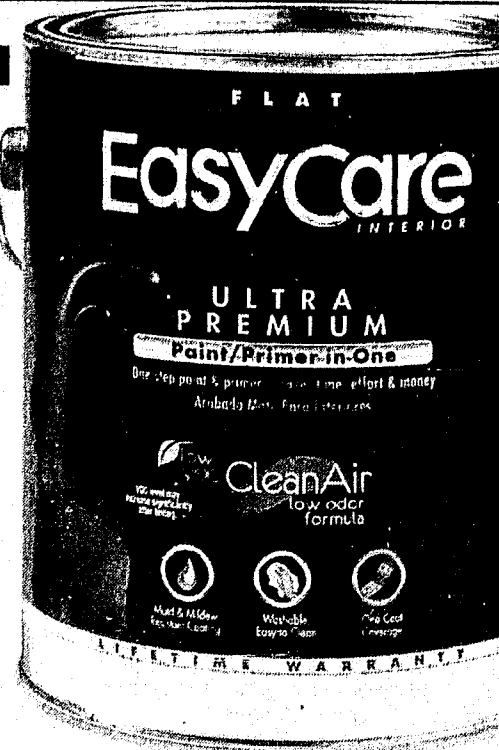
Gould Academy Valedictorian Edison Yi (left) and Salutatorian Demetri Maxim. *Gould Academy*

Throughout his academic career, Demetri has amassed The William P. Clough III Award (2013); Academic Book Awards in Science and Math (2013 and 2014); The French Scholar Shelf Award (2014); The Yale Alumni Award/Edmond J. Vachon Award (2015); The Rensselaer Award (2015), Dartmouth Alumni Club Book Award (2015), and the Clarkson University Award (2015). He is also a member of the Cum Laude Society (2014), a member of the French National Honor Society (2014), a Student Proctor, a tutor in the Math. French and

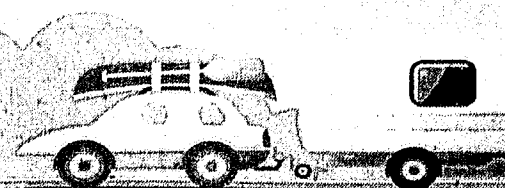
Despite a busy competition schedule, Will remained dedicated to his academics and student community. A Student Proctor, Writing Center Tutor, and Blue Key Tour Guide, Will is well respected by faculty and peers, and was elected by his classmates to deliver the student speech during this year's commencement. This fall Will will attend Northeastern University.

Gould's Commencement is an outdoor event that takes place under a tent and is open to the public, however, seats cannot be reserved. For more information visit gouldacademy.org or contact Nathalie Berry at 207-824-7703.

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by Sharon Bouchard



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Though I find the history of the hamburger interesting I really don't care where it began, I only care about where it ended up.

I'm sorry that I missed National Hamburger Day, but the way I see it I and millions of other Americans will be celebrating the joys of the hamburger all summer long.

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Bethel

By DON BENNETT



Memorial Day - Decoration Day

Saturday morning Arlan Jodrey, Bill Myers, Nancy Brown, Ruth and Don Feeney, Bertha and Doug Grover and Sylvia and Norm Clanton were busy placing geraniums and other flowers at the Riverside Cemetery graves for those families who many years ago had arranged with the cemetery association for these decorations. The American Legion ensures that flags are placed on the graves of all who have served their country's military. Memorial Day was originally known as Decoration Day, the last Monday of May had been set aside to honor those who had died in the Civil War.

Saturday was 2016's opening day at the Farmers Marketplace - great weather for the market's opener.

Fly Fishing Shop at Sport Thoma

Fly fishing - boat, rod, reel and flies are all available now at the new Special Sport Thoma Fly Fishing Department in Mayville. Drop off and pick up service is available along

with boat rentals. In many ways Sport Thoma seems to be replacing Sun Valley Sports for the fly fishing enthusiast. You can also arrange guide service and get the right summer clothing.

Saturday's temp not a record

According to our "official" in the shade thermometer Saturday's high temperature was 89. On May 28, 2006, 10 years ago, high temperature in Bethel was 93.

Farming

Field planting was the order of the day here this week. McCrum Farms - Sunday River Farm was seeding all of its fields in the immediate Mayville area. Carter's Middle Intervale Farm was also readying fields for planting between our place and Sunday River.

Bridge work

The east lane of the Androscoggin River bridge had its recently constructed forms filled with concrete - concrete delivered by the North Road Coleman plant. There is apparently more concrete to be poured as the side curbing has reinforcing rods in place and the bridge crew was performing more work on them throughout the week.

Evans Notch and The Roost The Citizen's summer

supplement magazine lists The Roost as one of the walking trails and scenic hikes. In the 1979/early 1980's Evans Notch was a major summer attraction. One year Bethel ran a summer information center for the Maine Publicity Bureau at the Evans Notch Motel. In those days one could still prowl through the former Hastings village and with luck find the huge old vats used for alcohol made at Hastings. Imagine being able to ride a passenger train from Hastings to Gilead's station - then catch the train to Portland and Boston. Lin Chapman sent more information about visiting Evans Notch and the Roost. Now, visitors can stop at the Gilead Historical Society on Depot Street and check out some more info on Hastings and other local history. The GHS has published a book on Hastings. Open on Saturdays or by appointment. Check out the GHS Facebook page.

The Roost overlooks the junction of Evans Brook and Wild River which bordered the unincorporated town of Hastings. These Hastings were Bethel's Broad Street Hastings as opposed to North Bethel Hastings.

Marshall Hastings (1882-1958) who lived later at his father's home at what is

now 22 Broad Street was associated with his father, Gideon Hastings, in Wild River from 1900 until 1914 in cutting pulp wood and in the manufacture of wood alcohol at their plant in Hastings Village. Marshall Hastings also had the experience of living in one of the cottages at Hastings known as the "Ten Commandments."

More about Hastings read Randal H Bennett's Hastings: http://white-mountainhistory.org/Hastings_Maine.html

For someone standing on the upper ledges of The Roost the viewer can visualize some of the major developments which took place over the 70 years starting in the 1850's. Overcutting/clear cutting in the Saco River valley and surrounding valleys created a dangerous environment which led to very serious fires and destruction of the water shed. (At times in the summer, the Androscoggin River was so low as it passed through Bethel that our wood mills had to shut down.) In 1911 Congress passed the Weeks Act (Weeks was a Massachusetts Congressman) which allowed the Federal government to buy watershed lands - they impacted Interstate commerce - which led to the creation of the Mount Washington

National Forest in 1918. About 5.5 percent of the WMNF lies in Maine including The Roost and the old Hastings area.

West Bethel

By KAREN PAUL



There can be firsts for all of us even after the age of 60. I'm not proud

of what I did, but it sure makes for much speculation and curious stares when one goes shopping at the local market. Because I've lived in Bethel more than 60 years, many folks know who I am. It used to be that everyone knew me when Bethel hadn't gotten on the "map."

I've been putting in fence posts in my back pasture to shrink the size of the enclosure and ready it

for a puppy. Ginger is an 8 week old Springer Spaniel who will be joining me in a couple weeks and as I used to have ponies, I have a "kind of" ready-made enclosure for her.

The only problem with using the same fence is that a puppy or small dog can squeeze through the field fencing. I have a neighbor who tried putting her small dogs in the fencing and the smarter one immediately found a way to squeeze his head and one paw through, followed by the second paw. It looked really uncomfortable, but he repeated the trick a couple times proving the fence needs adjusting.

So we're going to try putting chicken fencing inside to reinforce and make the fence puppy-proof. I also needed to have two gates to access the canine play yard. I had a small gate I had saved when I

From the OCS

Patrol Log

Monday, May 23

At 9:38 p.m. Deputy Mike Fitzmorris conducted a radar detail on the Songo Pond Road in Bethel. Several traffic stops were done and warnings issued.

Wednesday, May 25

At 8 a.m. Deputy Mike Fitzmorris received reports of a vehicle on Mayville Road in Bethel, all over the road that had almost struck a few vehicles. The vehicle was located and the driver found to be in seemingly normal condition. A warning was issued.

At 10:29 a.m. Deputy Mike Fitzmorris observed a suspended driver operating on Railroad Street in Bethel. Donald Simmons, 27, of Bethel was summonsed for operating after suspension.

At 2:46 p.m. Deputy Mike Fitzmorris responded to reports of suspicious activity involving stolen property on Tyler Street in Bethel. The subject was identified and the incident was under investigation.

Sunday, May 29

At 7:22 p.m. Deputy Josh Daley received a call regarding an intoxication on Vernon Street in Bethel. He took a report as requested by the complainant.

Monday, May 30

At 10:35 p.m. Deputy Josh Aylward took a complaint of fireworks on the Taylor Smith Road in Bethel. On arrival the fireworks had stopped.

From the OCS

Jail Log

May 28, 11:14 p.m.: Jose E. Realejo, 56, of Lowell, Mass., disorderly conduct; by Officer Jeff Huston in Bethel.

May 29, 3:29 a.m.: Matthew O. Coyne, 37, of Portland, OUI; by Deputy Derek MacDonald in Bethel.

Budget

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22 years old, to be about 25 years.

"At this point, we've had some issues with the furnace, but nothing major," Supt. David Murphy told voters.

School Board Facilities Committee Chair Tim Carter added that using the oil furnace only as backup for the pellet boiler system would extend its life.

Although the district did not have a detailed cost analysis done for solar panels, Deegan said, the consulting engineer for the project had advised him that the cost would be prohibitive.

With the district's price for oil locked in at \$1.78 per gallon for next year, he conceded that oil might actually cost less than pellets in the short term.

Carter, however, said a current surplus of wood pellets should allow the district to negotiate a lower price for that fuel as well, and added that the cost of oil is now rising, with the barrel price having increased by 63 percent in the last two months.

"Just like the gasoline price has jumped, the oil price, by next fall, will be up," he said.

"I am concerned about the total figure, \$370,000," said Woodstock resident Steve Bies. "This is one system, one building, and it depends on the technology and a supply that hasn't been completely established - the pellet system. So I'm concerned about it."

The article eventually passed, with about 10 vot-

ers opposed.

Budget passes first step
The district's FY17 budget of \$10,594,389 reflects an overall decrease of \$66,933, or 0.63 percent, from last year.

Due to an increase in state aid to education and a carryover of \$600,000 in unexpended funds from FY16, taxpayers in district towns will pay an average of 3.7 percent less for their local share of school costs.

Three of the member towns will see decreases, ranging from 3.7 percent in Greenwood to five percent in Bethel. Due to an increase in state valuation, Woodstock will pay \$18,737 more than last year, an increase of about 1.5 percent.

Although the district will receive \$447,125 in state aid next year, more than double last year's amount, Murphy pointed out that ten years ago the district received more than \$2.7 million from the state.

Each of the 11 separate cost centers in the district budget was voted on in a separate warrant article, generating only a few questions from those present.

Murphy explained a decrease of \$103,880 in the amount budgeted for regular instruction, the largest single cost center at nearly \$4.3 million.

He said two current teaching positions will be converted to math coaches next year and funded through the district's multi-year Teacher Incentive Fund grant.

Crescent Park School Principal Levi Brown explained that declining enrollment had resulted in a need for only two classes at

two different grade levels, instead of three.

"Currently our [incoming] second grade class, which is one of the positions, only has 29 students in the entire grade, and the other position will be the fourth grade class, and that currently has about 36 kids in the entire grade," he said.

Some of the other 10 cost centers are up from FY16, while several others reflect decreases from last year's budget.

The second and final step in the budget approval process will take place on June 14, when district residents will go to the polls in their individual towns to validate the budget by referendum.

At that time, voters will also be asked whether to continue the two-step

approval process, or return to the method of approving the budget solely through action at the public budget meeting.

The current process, which was put into place during the administration of Gov. John Baldacci, has since been repealed in some school districts. Districts are given the opportunity to vote every three years on whether to continue with the follow-up referendum vote.

Wendy Hanscom of Newry was elected as moderator, and Murphy began the meeting with an explanation of the budget approval process and a presentation of the budget figures.

(Note: The writer is a substitute teacher in the SAD 44 Adult Education Department.)

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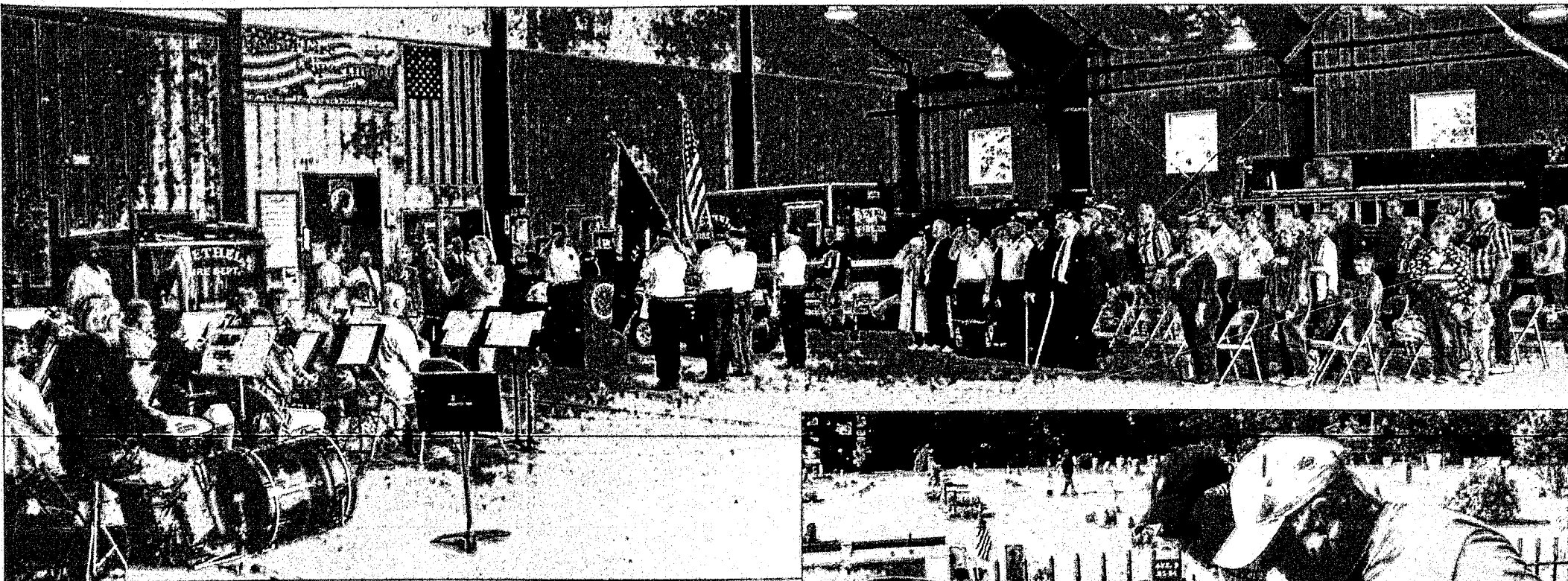
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REMEMBERING THE FALLEN—Bethel's annual Memorial Day observance, held Monday, was relocated to the Bethel Fire Station because of a rainy forecast that didn't materialize. But the tributes to those who served and died carried on, with patriotic music by the Mahoosuc Community Band and speakers, including state Rep. Fran Head. Above, veterans (at right) and other attendees stand for the playing of the National Anthem. A color guard stands before the podium. At right, on Saturday Bill Myers and Arlan Jodrey placed flowers on veterans' graves at Bethel's Riverside Cemetery for families who had arranged for them with the cemetery association (see Bennett Bethel column for more).

A. Aloisio, D. Bennett

took the horse barn apart and that worked fine to get into the back pasture.

How to build another gate? I walked around the yard looking to repurpose something that looked gate like. Down to the barn I paraded, up to the attic I scrambled, down the cellar stairs I crept and there was nothing. Then I spotted it, an old section of picket fence was lying in the grass in the back field and it was almost perfect. All I needed was to measure and cut. I'm the daughter of a carpenter and pride myself on being able to use a few power tools I love: my drills, screw guns, and chop saw. My skills are varied and living alone one must either be wealthy or be able to bang a few things into place now and then.

I had purchased safety goggles for my many projects and found them to be very useful especially for saving my eyes from the flying debris when mowing. Only thing is on a warm day they get foggy and I must remove them to be able to see. This is just what happened when I decided to use the circular saw to cut the picket fence down to size.

All was going as planned as I had made the first cut across the pickets slicing them off at the desired height. I also needed to narrow the width and had cut between the pickets where the 2x4 held them together. I still had

all 10 fingers and toes and was feeling pretty clever. I fitted the hinges and attached the gate to the slightly leaning fencepost and swung the door closed. Amazing women do amazing things!

The gate seemed pretty cool but rubbed in one spot and here comes the problem. I decided instead of taking the gate off the hinges and laying it down to trim the wood, I could hold the saw vertical and just take a quarter inch off the tight spot. I'd seen Rodney do this many times. The saw felt heavier and my arms were burning causing me to sweat and my safety glasses to steam up.

You know what I did next? I slid the plastic safety glasses up off my face onto my head and proceeded to get the saw in place. When the blade started up I pushed it toward the gate and the wood splintered and flew at me hitting me just a hair below my eye. I know I did wrong and am now sporting a beauty of a black eye, my first and hopefully my last. As I said I'm not proud of what I did, but I am lucky that the lesson was not worse.

Submitted by Debby Luxton: It has been a busy few months at Pleasant Valley Bible Church and here is just a recap of some of the events and activities. Most recently we had our annual Ladies Spring Luncheon and our theme was

"You are Such a Doll" and the focus was in Psalm 139-being "fearfully and wonderfully made."

The decorations were paper dolls. Many dolls were from present to past, quite a collection. We enjoyed special music by Linda Stowell and Debby Luxton, door prizes and a skit featuring local ladies and some of our Awana girls. About 60 women attended.

We ended our Awana Youth group year with a closing program and awards night. The programs averaged 23-25 young people from 3 years old to 7th grade and ran for the school year. It's been a blessing. We held our Awana Grand Prix where the children fashion cars, trucks or something on wheels from blocks of wood.

We had 16 racers, with the top finishers, 1st-4th prize as follows. Design: Tyllie Herring, Olivia Hughes, Patience Hart, Octavia Hooper. Novelty: Davon DeGruttola, Kamillah Villanueva, Cameron Remington, Autumn Coriveau. Speed: Cruze Kimball, Autumn Coriveau, Davon DeGruttola, and Ethan Hart. The Easter Egg Hunt was well attended and we are planning for our Vacation Bible School, July 11-15-more to follow on that. Many thanks to all the different attendees, participants, and those who help with the work.

Andover

By JANE RICH



Don't forget, tonight, June 2 is the Special Town Meeting for the school budget for the 2016-17 year at the Town Hall at 7 p.m. Come, listen and be informed before the referendum election which will take place on June 14th along with the general primary election. If you're going to be out of town on June 14 be sure to get your absentee ballot at the Town Office.

Saturday evening the Andover Alumni Association gathered at the Town Hall for its 87th consecutive, yearly gathering to honor the Class of 2016. Speakers included our present School Superintendent, Jack Turcotte and Todd Porter. Steve Hall was the Master of Ceremonies. The Walter Fox Book Awards are given to outstanding students in Grades 6 through 12 and were Riley Richards, Dylan Duclos, Angela Cintron, Jeffrey Stetson, Sonia Farrington, Taylor Merrill and Cassidy Smith. Cassidy Smith was also the recipient of the Alumni Association

Award for excellence in Math and the Alumni Award for Service. The East Andover Community Club gave two awards to Donna Damon and Cassidy Smith. The Lila Farrington Memorial Scholarship went to Briana Vitale. Winner of the Allyson Hodgson award for excellence in English was Taylor Merrill and the Mike Marston Award was received by Calvin Glover. Lisa Gammon was awarded the John and Eunice Fox Scholarship as well as the Andover Service Circle Award. Naomi Carr was the recipient of two scholarships administered by the Andover Educational Fund, the Anna Thurston and Sweet Family Scholarships.

Speaking of schools, there are some upcoming events of interest at Andover Elementary and they include The Spring Book Fair which will end on June 3. The 5th grade will be going on their annual trip on the 10th. There will be a Spelling Bee at the school on June 13 at 1:30 p.m. Kindergarten screening and step up day will be June 14. On June 15th K-4 awards will be presented to students and there will be a 5th grade graduation ceremony. The last day of school in June 16 and there will be an assembly at 10 a.m. with dismissal at 11:45 a.m. And a happy summer to all students and staff alike.

About 60 people gathered on Monday morning on the common to pay tribute to our Veterans. Fortunately, the rain held off and there was an absence of those pesky things known as Black Flies. The Opening and Closing prayers were given by Pastor Linda Couture. Rev. David Kimball and Pastor Kelly Dyke delivered remarks and yours truly was privileged to conduct the Andover Flag Folding Ceremony and the annual reading of "In Flanders Fields" from the World War I era. Thanks to the Knights of Pythias for being so dedicated to this annual event which includes great donuts following the ceremony and a time of fellowship in the Town Hall. Thanks to Dave White, baker of the donuts. Speaking of thanks, special thanks to Jim Coolidge for seeing that the flags got put up on Main Street.

The Upton Union Church began summer services on Sunday evening with a good turnout and a time of remembrance was included in the service to remember Ellie LeComte, who passed away last week. She was a nurse and caregiver and my main competition in the annual flower show. We alternated besting each other in the tea cup category for years. I will miss the competition.

STATE OF MAINE
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DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT 11
RUMFORD
CIVIL ACTION
DKT.NO.RUMDC-RE-2015-37

JORDAN GRAND CONDOMINIUM OWNERS ASSOCIATION, a Maine corporation having a principal place of business in the Town of Newry in the County of Oxford and the State of Maine, Plaintiff v. **MOHD A. ASLAMI**, of the Town of Sturbridge in the County of Worcester and the State of Massachusetts, and **BERESHKAL S. ASLAMI**, of the Town of Sturbridge in the County of Worcester and the State of Massachusetts, Defendants.

On the Motion of the Plaintiff for service upon the Defendants in this action by publication this Court finds that this is an action by the Plaintiff against the Defendants for foreclosure by civil action of a condominium association lien on real property owned by the Defendants in the Town of Newry in the County of Oxford and the State of Maine, being the same premises conveyed to the Defendants by Warranty Deed dated August 17, 2001 which is recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds in Book 2997, Page 2112, that said action may affect the Defendant's ownership of said real property and may result in a deficiency judgment against the Defendants, and that the Defendants cannot, with due diligence, be located or served by any other prescribed method of service.

It is, therefore, ORDERED that the Plaintiff may make service by publication upon the Defendants in accordance with the provisions of Rule 4(d)(1) and (g) of the Maine Rules of Civil Procedure.

TO THE DEFENDANTS:

The Plaintiff has begun a lawsuit against you in the District Court which holds sessions at Rumford in Oxford County. If you wish to oppose this lawsuit, you or your attorney must prepare and file a written Answer to the Complaint within 20 days after the date of final publication of this Order. You or your attorney must file your Answer by delivering it in person or by mail to the office of the Clerk of the District Court at 145 Congress Street, Rumford, Maine 04276. On or before the day you file your attorney must mail a copy of your Answer to the Attorney for the Plaintiff as follows:

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If you believe the Plaintiff is not entitled to all or part of the claim set forth in the Complaint or if you believe you have a claim of your own against the Plaintiff, you should talk to a lawyer. If you feel you cannot afford to pay a fee to a lawyer, you may ask a Clerk of the District Court for information as to places where you may see, legal assistance.

It is **FURTHER ORDERED** that this Order be published in the Bethel Citizen, a weekly newspaper published in Bethel, Maine, once a week for three consecutive weeks, the first publication to be made within 20 days after the date of this Order, and that a copy of this Order be mailed to the Defendants at their last known address, to wit: 7 Laurel Hill Road, Sturbridge, MA 01566.

The Clerk is hereby ordered to incorporate this Order by reference in the docket for this case.

Dated: May 2, 2016 Judge, District Court

STATE OF MAINE
OXFORD,ss.

DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT 11
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CIVIL ACTION
DKT.NO.RUMDC-RE-15-40

POWDER RIDGE ASSOCIATIONS, a Maine corporation having a principal place of business in the Town of Bethel in the County of Oxford and the State of Maine, Plaintiff v. **JOHN F. GALLAGHER**, of the Town of Hampton Falls, County of Rockingham, State of New Hampshire, and **SUSAN J. GILMORE**, of the Town of Hampton Falls, County of Rockingham, State of New Hampshire, Defendants.

On the Motion of the Plaintiff for service upon the Defendants in this action by publication this Court finds that this is an action by the Plaintiff against the Defendants for foreclosure by Civil action of a condominium association lien on real property owned by the Defendants in the Town of Newry in the County of Oxford and the State of Maine, being the same premises conveyed to the Defendants by Warranty Deed dated January 18, 2008 which is recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds in Book 4254, Page 40, that said action may affect the Defendant's ownership of said real property and may result in a deficiency judgment against the Defendants, and that the Defendants cannot, with due diligence, be located or served by any other prescribed methods of service.

It is, therefore, ORDERED that the Plaintiff may make service by publication upon the Defendants in accordance with the provisions of Rule 4(d)(1) and (g) of the Maine Rules of Civil Procedure.

TO THE DEFENDANTS:

The Plaintiff has begun a lawsuit against you in the District Court which holds sessions at Rumford in Oxford County. If you wish to oppose this lawsuit, you or your attorney must prepare and file a written Answer to the Complaint within 20 days after the date of final publication of this Order. You or your attorney must file your Answer by delivering it in person or by mail to the office of the Clerk of the District Court at 145 Congress Street, Rumford, Maine 04276. On or before the day you file your attorney must mail a copy of your Answer to the Attorney for the Plaintiff as follows:

Braun & Wilson
23 Market Square
South Paris, Maine 04281

IMPORTANT WARNING: IF YOU FAIL TO FILE AN ANSWER WITHIN THE TIME STATED ABOVE, OR IF, AFTER YOU FILE AN ANSWER, YOU FAIL TO APPEAR AT ANY TIME THE COURT NOTIFIES YOU TO DO SO, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU IN YOUR ABSENCE FOR THE MONEY DAMAGES OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT. IF THIS OCCURS, YOUR EMPLOYER MAY BE ORDERED TO PAY PART OF YOUR WAGES TO THE PLAINTIFF OR YOUR PERSONAL PROPERTY, INCLUDING BANK, ACCOUNTS, AND YOUR REAL ESTATE MAY BE TAKEN TO SATISFY THE JUDGMENT. IF YOU INTEND TO OPPOSE THIS LAWSUIT, DO NOT FAIL TO ANSWER WITHIN THE REQUIRED TIME.

If you believe the Plaintiff is not entitled to all or part of the claim set forth in the Complaint or if you believe you have a claim of your own against the Plaintiff, you should talk to a lawyer. If you feel you cannot afford to pay a fee to a lawyer, you may ask a Clerk of the District Court for information as to places where you may see, legal assistance.

It is **FURTHER ORDERED** that this Order be published in the Bethel Citizen, a weekly newspaper published in Bethel, Maine, once a week for three consecutive weeks, the first publication to be made within 20 days after the date of this Order, and that a copy of this Order be mailed to the Defendants at their last known address, to wit: 12 Hillcrest Drive, Hampton Falls, New Hampshire, 03844.

The Clerk is hereby ordered to incorporate this Order by reference in the docket for this case.

Dated: May 2, 2016 Judge, District Court

ADOPT PET OF THE WEEK

Chloe is thirteen years old. That puts her into the category of senior cat. Please don't think this means she has nothing to offer.

Beautiful Chloe is still playful. She will reach over her head to bat at a toy on a string. She also likes to interact with people, and enjoys being on the listening side of a conversation.

There's a lot of life left in this sweet cat. She's not ready for senior housing yet. She is ready to become a valued member of a family. She doesn't need much more than a warm lap, a bowl of wet food, and someone to love her. She will be eternally grateful in return.

Anyone interested in adopting a pet from RPC can visit the shelter at 9 Swallow Road in South Paris Tuesday-Sunday 12-4 p.m. Most of the adoptable pets and the adoption application can be found online on the shelter's website at www.rpc.petfinder.com.

For answers to questions about adopting or fostering a pet, or to make an inquiry about a lost animal, call Responsible Pet Care after noon at 743-8679.

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Locke's Mills

By AMY WRIGHT CHAPMAN



It's always hard to predict what kind of weather we'll get for Memorial Day weekend, and this year we had a little bit of everything, from hot and humid to cool and damp. I heard that many parades had to be canceled because of the morning drizzle, but Greenwood's was able to go on, complete with music from the Mahosuc Community Band. As I write this in the early afternoon on Monday, the sun has come back out and the temperature is in the low 70s.

I'm sure that gardeners and firefighters would have liked to see a bit more rain. We have just about everything planted now, including a big patch of corn that Tony put in on Sunday, but all our crops could use a nice soaking rain.

Our strawberries are blossoming, and I'm hoping for a good crop. We've had to fight both insects and chipmunks for them in the past, but we've also had a few good crops from the 50 plants we set out five or six years ago.

It took Tony and Will parts of two weekends and some technical assistance from Wayne Bean, but they finally got the water going at our camp on North Pond so we could settle in there for the summer. It turned out that the old pump, which I'm guessing was around 40 years old, had a crack in the housing. Fortunately, we had a backup pump at home that's only about half that age, which, according to Wayne, saved us several hundred dollars. I hope it will have quite a few years left in it.

After doing several hours of gardening in the morning, then moving a couple of loads of stuff to camp during the hottest part of the day on Saturday, I had no interest in conducting the annual purge of mouse poop in the kitchen so I could cook supper. Thank goodness for Burger Night at the Local Hub! Our first camp dinner of the year, consisted of burgers on the deck, a perfect way to kick off camp season.

I went home after supper to get the cats and bring them to their summer home. I was on my way back with them when Will called to tell me there was a red squirrel in the attached storage closet at camp. It had gotten in through a hole in an outside wall of the closet, and he had shut the door and was hoping it would go out the same way.

I thought it would probably make for some fireworks when the cats arrived, but apparently the squirrel did find its way out before they realized it was there. Later, I found a big nest made of pine needles and dry leaves in one corner of the closet, so it had evidently been living there and probably wasn't very happy to have three people, three cats, and a dog invade its space.



COAST GUARD GRADUATE-Benjamin Chapman graduated with honors from the US Coast Guard Academy on May 18, with a BS in Management. Ensign Chapman will be stationed in Florida on the Coast Guard Cutter Venturous. Relatives attended from Maine, New Hampshire and Nebraska. Pictured are, from left: Greg Martin, Jon Martin, Elena Martin, Ensign Ben Chapman, Kym Chapman, Chris Chapman, Sidney Chapman, Ajay Landry, Michele Chapman, Tim Chapman.

Submitted photo

My friend Donna, who loves a good project almost as much as she loves being at camp, arrived on Sunday and we set to work eradicating the winter accumulation of mouse poop. With any luck, the three cats will keep the camp mouse-free while we're here.

The First Universalist Church of West Paris is holding its annual Rhubarb Festival this Saturday, June 4 at 9 a.m., with all sorts of rhubarb goodies, as well as a white elephant sale. Our rhubarb is doing well and I plan to harvest some on Friday and bake a few pies for the festival.

Have a great week! Email your news to amy.w.chapman@gmail.com or call 875-5511.

Hanover

By MARIA HOLLOWAY



2016 Grads Congratulations to Telstar High School 2016 graduates, Austin Bear and Amber Souve of Hanover. Also graduating from Telstar is Keith Crockett-Harrington. The graduation ceremony will take place on Friday, June 10 at 7 p.m. at the high school.

Howard Pond Howard Pond residents are returning to their summer homes. Although the water level is still low, kayaks, canoes and fisherman have been seen on the waters. Due to the many large underwater rocks and boulders, the Town swim float will be put in just as soon as the water level rises to a safe level.

Super Yard Sale! Andy Barlow will be holding a Yard Sale on Saturday, June 11 on his property at 2634 Main Street Route 2 West in Hanover. Many items from the old farmhouse will be available for sale. Treasures await you! Please stop by.

Fire Danger The Town Office reminds you that the fire danger remains high due to the lack of rain and extremely dry conditions. Please be cognizant of the fire danger level and obtain a permit to burn.

Condolences Condolences go out to the family of Richard "Rick" Chase, formerly of Hanover. Richard was laid to rest on his birthday, this past Tuesday, May 31, in the family lot at the Hanover Cemetery alongside his parents Robert and Lorraine Chase, also formerly of Hanover. Richard died on Dec. 22, 2015 in Exeter, N.H. at the age of 62.

Condolences also are extended to the family of David Doyle of West Bethel. David passed away earlier this month after a long illness. David is survived by his wife, Deborah Doyle and the couple's several children. The Doyles operated a number of businesses including the Bethel Hostel on Route 2 in West Bethel. A memorial service for David was held last week at the Bethel Alliance Church.

GRML The next Trustees' meeting of the Gardner Roberts Memorial Library will be held on June 14 at 5 p.m. at the Library. The Annual meeting is scheduled for July 12.

Send me your new, comments and feedback at HanoverMENews@gmail.com

Upton My sister, Laurie, lives in South Upton (Maine). Her grandson, who is five years old, is spending some time with her this summer.

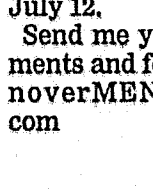
She sent the following story: "We have four rabbits (bunnies or hares) that are around the house all of the time. One of them is only half to three quarters as big as the other three. When we walk near them, if we are not closer than four feet they just watch us walk by. This afternoon I heard my grandson yelling like crazy. He had a squirt gun (which he had already emptied) and was on a dead run after the smaller bunny. The bunny would run behind the fire pit, a tree or something else and then wait for my grandson to catch up. Then off they would go again. This went on for more than 30 minutes before the rabbit went into the woods. Coolest game of tag I have ever seen."

The Upton Planning Board reviewed one building application Friday. It was for a mobile home installation and was approved. The board and CEO also talked with another landowner and explained about the requirement that an application for a new dwelling must be accompanied by a septic system design.

Please call 533-2010 or email backstjoie@gmail.com with your Upton news.

Newry

By DOUG WEBSTER



Finally, some summertime weather. Just in time for everyone to enjoy a nice, long that weekend. It sure feels nice when one is able to hang outside at night with the T-shirt with short pants. Existence seems a lot easier when the temperatures are warmer.

I hope folks had a chance to reflect on the real reason for Memorial Day weekend. My thoughts go out to all the families who have lost a loved one who was killed while serving in active military service.

I haven't heard when the funding formula committee is meeting. It will be interesting to see what the facilitator comes up with for a proposal. It appears that if all the members agree on the proposal, then all they have to do is vote on it. And if that passes at the committee level, then it goes to the district for a vote.

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Mason

By RICHARD GROVER



Last week Mona and I drove to Mahomet, Illinois for granddaughter Jana Holderbaugh's graduation from high school. Jana has been accepted at Michigan State U. where she intends to major in computer science, I think.

We travelled on "the cheap," driving Mona's Prius-car which averaged over 50 mpg over the approximately 2,400 miles. We took a cooler in the car, filled mostly with frozen bottles of water, apples and oranges for snacks and egg salad sandwiches for lunch. We drank the water as the ice melted along the way. Breakfast was an Egg McMuffin and coffee, and the evening meal was a salad and chocolate Frosty at Wendy's. Lodging was at Motel 6 for one night going and another night coming home. Of course, we also took a small container of alcoholic beverage to which we added a little ice and ginger ale after stopping at Motel 6.

The trip was quite uneventful as we drove about 12 hours each day, but we noticed that when we stopped after a couple hours on the road, we both hobbled around on arthritic knees for a few minutes, until we got our bearings and our balance back.

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Saturday, June 18 is the Woodstock High School Alumni Banquet at the Bryant Pond Masonic Hall. Classes to be honored are 1946, 1956 and 1966, also Telstar High School seniors from Woodstock and Greenwood.

Franklin Grange #124 will meet at the Grange Hall on Monday evening, June 20. Election of officers will be held.

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East Bethel I found it sad that many a parade was cancelled due to the weather forecast which didn't quite materialize. Bethel cancelled the parade only but still had the ceremony. Thank you again to our soldiers who gave it their all. My thoughts were also with the many people nationwide struggling and suffering from the severe storms.

I hope to hear from the proud parents of this year's graduates. Please call me at 507-1008 or email heinrichcracker@gmail.com

Have a great week.

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Don't forget to vote on June 14. It's a primary, school budget, and a vote on whether or not we should stop the withdrawal process. So grab a couple of friends and get out and vote on the 14th!

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Gilead
By LIN CHAPMAN

The weather has been changing back and forth from summer to spring. Last Saturday was a beautiful summer day and then Sunday was mostly cool like a spring day. Good day for planting our tomato plants and cucumbers. Overcast, not too hot and a chance of rain later.

My brother, Steve McLain, has begun to do some work in his garden. He had to do some mowing out in front of his house near the road. He likes to keep the area looking good where the Gilead sign is located.

One day last week, Hugh and I had to go to Lewiston. On the way home, we stopped at Market Square Restaurant in South Paris. While we were setting there, Davis and Sharon Kimball walked in and sat down. We run into them every once in a while when we are down there. Usually, it is Walmart or somewhere that we all seem to frequent.

Last week, we made a trip to Mt. Greenery to pick up flowers for the cemeteries. It took us a couple of days to complete the planting, since we have to go to cemeteries in Bethel, Gilead and Gorham, N.H.

The catbird has been quite active. He likes to travel from the bamboo, outback of the house, to the lilac, at the end of the house, and then to the mock orange bush by the driveway. He was making his rounds while we were working in the planter boxes last Sunday. He waited until Hugh filled the water dish with fresh water and then flew down. After a couple of drinks, he decided to take a bath. Needless to say, the water dish had to be refilled after all that splashing.

Since last Sunday was my birthday, I received Happy Birthday calls from my brother, Steve McLain, Chris and Kym Chapman and Mariyah Boss; Tim and Michele Chapman and Sidney; Carole Robbins along with William Chapman and Annie Chapman. Chris, Kym and Mariyah even sang Happy Birthday. Facebook Happy Birthday wishes were received from Lois Ruff. It is nice to be remembered.

Gilead Historical Society

The ad for the GHS came out in the Bethel Citizen



The Age Friendly Community Project met May 19 to begin the planning process around five concrete projects, as suggested by community members over the past year. Nancy Davis explained that the team's action plan, which will be submitted to AARR, focuses around three strands: (1) "Maintain and Sustain" - that is, continuing to support initiatives already underway in the community, (2) New projects that should be doable in the next year; for that, the team is looking for people to work on task forces 3) Exploration into longer-term, larger projects, like creating a community center. Above, attendees listen to speaker Al Cressy. Below, Peter Musso explains transportation plans at one of the five stations. A. Aloisio



Summer Guide. It looks quite nice and we have had several compliments. The T-shirts are ordered and should be available for the June 25 Friends and Family Day. More GHS hats were ordered at the same time.

The spring newsletter has gone out to all members. Information on June 25 was included. There will be the usual Public Crock Pot Pot Luck Lunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Lots of delicious food to enjoy. Please note that this is open to the public and the GHS hopes to see lots of new faces at the tables in the Town Hall. First come, first serve basis, so get there early.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or email chapmal@hotmail.com

Waterford
By ROCKIE GRAHAM

Finally it seems like summer is upon us. Although we will still have a few chilly nights and mornings, afternoon sun is strong; too strong for me to stay out too long. Still, it feels nice to not have to light the stove or run the furnace. Just in time as the wood is running out.

Sad to hear that Nancy Brown will no longer be

writing her column. I always enjoyed what she had to say. Good luck, Nancy. I am sure I'll still see you at Norway Library from time to time.

Being June, summer programs are all the rage. I am hoping to take advantage of a few of them.

Friday, June 3 is the WMAG First Friday Reception in Norway at 426 Main St. from 5-7 p.m. at their Main St. Gallery. There is also a special event at the Matolcsy Art Center at 480 Main Street.

Saturday at Fare Share Market is their yard and plant sale from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Lots of things to choose from FMI 743-9044.

Saturday there is also a Community Yard sale and vendor event at Oxford Hills Middle School from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m..

Monday, June 6 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Waterford Library Socrates Cafe meets. The topic is: What Does it Take to Change Our Minds? The moderator is Earl Morse. FMI please call 583-6957. Light refreshments.

Sunday, June 12 4-6 p.m. Mountain Poets meets at 44 Beal St. in Norway. FMI Lisa @ 743-9808. All poets and poetry lovers are welcome.

Gardens are getting put in, plants planted and transplanted. The ducks are getting big and turning white. They've almost lost their duckling yellow. They are cute. Tonight I think they move to the old dog house for safety and comfort. The chicks will have a new house soon.

That is all for this week. Anyone wishes to send me info please call me at 743-0583.

First Universalist Church of West Paris June Worship Services

It is that perennial time of year when we enjoy the richness of summer, and yet it heralds the pause in our Sunday worship services until September. We still have June, and summer services carry on at the West Sumner Universalist Church, listed below.

Please join us for Sunday worship services at 9 a.m. All are welcome. Services are provided by The Reverend Fayre Stephenson, guest speakers, and the Worship Service Committee.

June 5, "Julia Ward Howe: Unitarian Social Reformer" led by The Reverend Fayre Stephenson. Today, if people know Julia Ward Howe at all, they know her as the author of The Battle Hymn of the Republic. Julia Ward How had a memorable career beyond that single momentous achievement. Using Elaine Showalter's The Civil Wars of Julia Ward Howe as our guide, on this Sunday we will trace Julia Ward Howe's remarkable life as poet, abolitionist, mother, lecturer, and feminist.

June 12, "Teach Your Children Well" led by The Reverend Kate Braestrup. What we, as religious liberals...do (and ought to?) teach our children! Mission Congregational Church joins us this Sunday, as well as the South Paris and Sumner UU Churches.

June 18, Memorial Service for Eleanor Inman. The service will be held at the First Universalist Church of West Paris at 11 a.m. with a gathering immediately

following the service at the West Paris Historical Society.

June 19, Flower Communion led by The Reverend Fayre Stephenson. At this last service of our church year, we'll tell the story of the origins of the Flower Communion and we will celebrate our own Flower Communion. You are invited to bring flowers from your garden but, more... don't worry, if you don't have a flower garden, there will be plenty of flowers to share.

June 26, Our church members attend the Mission Congregational Church worship service at 9 a.m.

West Sumner Universalist Church Summer Worship Services:

July 10 ~ Marilyn Hammond
July 17 ~ The Reverend Scott Jones
July 24 ~ Cindy Reedy
July 31 ~ Rodney Abbott
August 7 ~ Joan Beal
August 14 ~ Silver Moore Leaman
August 21 ~ The Reverend Bernice Martin

August 28 ~ The Reverend Fayre Stephenson

Organist ~ Beth Chaffee

For more information about the church and services, please contact Marta Clements, 674-2143, mclements96894@roadrunner.com, or Bob Clifford at 674-3442, bobbarlen@megalink.net.

To learn more about Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations, please visit <http://www.uua.org/>.

The Cancer Resource Center of Western Maine June activities

The Cancer Resource Center of Western Maine, located at 199 Main Street, Norway announces their June calendar.

This month we celebrating National Survivor Day on June 9 with activities, refreshments and support.

Other new activities this month include felting, and an informative session at the Oxford Hannaford with their dietician. All activities are free to people impacted by cancer. People are encouraged to RSVP to Sherri at 890-7063. For more information go to the calendar on our website, www.crcwfm.org.

Drop in hours are every Thursday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Volunteers are available to provide you with comfort items such as port protectors, wigs, hats, pillows or find resources. You may pick up brochures or use our lending library.

The Center is also a place to enjoy a cup of coffee or tea, chat with a volunteer or take time for yourself by participating in activities we offer.

Survivor Day Thursday, June 9 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. A day to celebrate milestones and acknowledge caretakers. Drop by for activities and snacks.

Women's Cancer Support Group Tuesday, June 7 from Noon to 1:30 p.m. Call Patti Ann at 744-6173 for more information

Coloring for Adults Thursdays, June 2

and 30 1-2:30 p.m.

Cards and Games Fridays, June 3, 10, 17, and 24 1-2:30 p.m.

Walking Group Fridays 2:45-4 p.m.

Community Cancer Cut and Sew Wednesdays, June 8 and 22 10 a.m.-noon plus Wednesday, June 15 4-7 p.m. at Sew Orchid Design, 316 Main, Norway

Felting with Nancy June 14 1-2:30 p.m. RSVP Sherri 890-7063 so we have enough material

Zentangles with Nikki Thursdays, June 16 and 23 1-2 p.m.

Shopping with the Dietician Thursday, June 17 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Oxford Hannaford, RSVP Sue 807-0226

Knitting and Crocheting Thursdays, June 30 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Crafting with Sherri Thursday, June 30 2:30 p.m.

Walk and Talk with David - call 739-7027 to schedule a time

The Cancer Resource Center of Western Maine is located at 199 Main St, Norway in the Stephens Memorial Hospital Specialty Clinic building. Hours are 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. every Thursday and Friday. We offer a variety of programs as well as comfort items, free to anyone impacted by cancer.

Check our website for more information, find us on Facebook or call Sherri at 890-7063.

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TMS holds Career Day

By Lindsay Luetje

On May 5 Telstar Middle hosted 25 local area professionals who volunteered their time to speak to our students about their careers. This was an initiative of the MELMAC/GEAR UP College Access Team (CAT team) and was a modification from last year's Career Day field trip where students completed a career investigation challenge and then got to visit a few local businesses. Members of the committee felt this model for career day would be better because it would reach all our students, instead of only those that chose to research a career.

CAT team members Fran Harrison and Charlie Raymond helped to identify and contact a variety of local professionals that we felt would be interested in participating as well as have interesting career experiences to share with students. Twenty five people responded positively to being willing to come talk to our students and gave up 2 hours of their day. Many of the speakers are Telstar graduates as well.

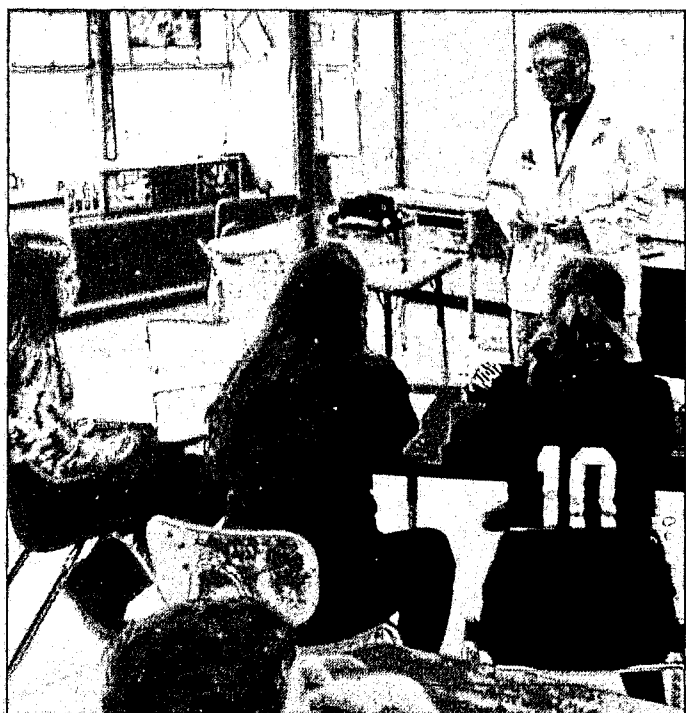
Since the goal of this event was to introduce students to a variety of career pathways and inspire them to pursue a post-high school educational pathway that will lead to success in their chosen career, we asked each student what careers they were interested in learning more about.

Students selected a first, second, and third choice and for the most part, all students got to attend their top picks.

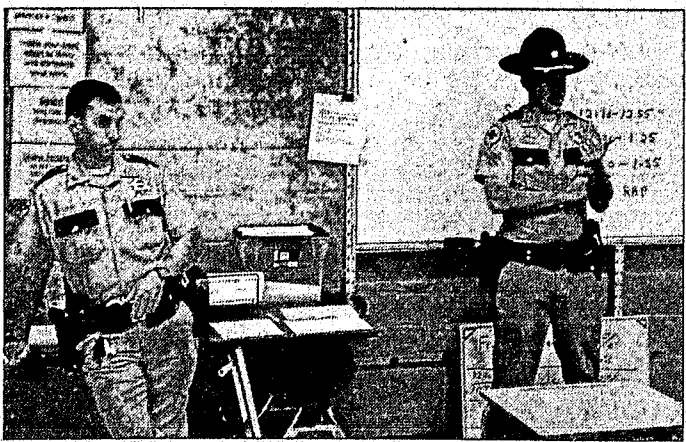
Overall, the event was a huge success! Our speakers shared their excitement for their careers and students had positive things to say when the event was over. Some students were seen asking more questions as they helped carry equipment out to cars with speakers, others reported that they now knew exactly what they wanted to do when they grow up! The faculty is proud of how our students behaved and engaged respectfully with our guests and we are extremely grateful to all of our guests for their efforts and interest in being a part of our school community.

We are grateful to following people for being our guest speakers:

Scott Fraser, pharmacist
 Fran Head, State Representative
 Tiffany Jordan and Heather Jordan, dance instructors
 Norm Lewis, game warden
 Tyler Bennett and JJ Whitman, auto technicians
 Rob Rossow, IT/Web design
 Koral Fraser and Terri Childs, day care providers
 Frank Del Duca, restaurant owner
 Mike Bennett and Cyle Marriott, excavation and logging
 Andy Whitney and Mike Fitzmorris, police officers
 Claire Carver and Joyce Pereira, real estate brokers
 Jarrod Crockett, lawyer
 Bob Baribeau, outdoor survival and rescue
 Steve Keane, outdoor recreation
 Christina Bouras, veterinarian technician
 Dave Hanscom, EMT
 Heather Kellogg, nurse
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Scott Fraser, pharmacist.



Mike Fitzmorris and Andy Whitney, police officers.

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Sports



Telstar's Katie Killam with medals and ribbons she won at last week's MVC Track & Field Championships. Teammate Avry Griffin was voted Male Athlete of the Meet, along with Hunter White of Dirigo, by the MVC coaches. For meet details, see results at right.

Submitted photo

High School Varsity Softball

Telstar 8, Monmouth 4; May 27-Telstar ended the regular season with a hard fought win over a much improved Monmouth squad. Olivia York held the Mustangs to six hits and struck out 6 and Becca Howard, Tehya Johnson and Tasha Hart led the offense. Becca had three hits, including a 3rd inning home run, and her single in the 6th inning plated the go ahead run for the Rebels. Tehya had two hits and drove in two runs, and Tasha had a huge base loaded triple in the 6th inning to salt the game away for the home nine. Hayley Peterson scored 2 runs as the Rebels raised their record to 14-2 for the regular season. Telstar finished #2 in the Heal Point standings and will host a play off game on Thursday, June 9.

Also attending Friday's game were a number of Telstar alumni. There was a celebration of the seniors last home game and Coach Lunney's last regular season game before his retirement. Many thanks to Mark Kenney and others involved in the day. - Coach Jim Lunney

Telstar 14, St. Dom's 2; May 25-Telstar's Olivia York and Tehya Johnson combined to throw a 2-hitter and Becca Howard and Naomi Carr led the offense. Becca had a 2-run homerun in the 6th inning and a 2-run single in the 7th; Naomi had a double in the double and a single. Ashley Savage and Emily Philbrick each scored 2 runs for the Rebels. The team is now 13-2 on the season. - Coach Jim Lunney

TMS Varsity Softball

Telstar 12, Mt. Valley 4; May 26-Telstar's Aneah Bartlett threw an excellent game with 10 strikeouts on

seven innings of work. Bella DeVivo had a few excellent plays at 3rd and Ellen Files did an outstanding job behind the plate by keeping the ball in front of her and throwing out a runner stealing second. Aneah Bartlett, Luci Rothwell, and Bella DeVivo led the offense with three hits each. Ellen Files had two hits while Brooklyn Kimball, Emalee Coffin, and Grace Boothby each had one hit. Shelby Thorman hit a three run triple in the top of the sixth inning to put the Rebels fully in charge of the game. Excellent game team. - Coach Jim Cobb

High School Track

Mountain Valley Conference Championships; May 26

GIRLS

100 Hurdles (20 competitors): Katie Killam 6th 18.94; 100 Dash (22 competitors): Kaity Killam 1st 13.19; India Orino 11th 14.22; Sarah Wright 20th 15.01. 1,600 Run (11 competitors): Kaitlyn Brown 3rd 6:04.36; Kristi Hanscom 10th 6:27.17. 4x100 Relay (11 teams): Sarah Wright, Wynter Morin, Emily Hanscom, India Orino 10th 1:02.09. 800 Run (7 competitors): Kaitlyn Brown 6th 2:43.84. 200 Dash (14 competitors): Kaity Killam 1st 27.79. 4x400 Relay (8 Teams): Emily Hanscom, Wynter Morin, Kristi Hanscom, Sarah Wright 8th 5:18.02. Discus: India Orino 5th 79' 9." Javelin: India Orino 11th 72' 0." Long Jump: Kaity Killam 5th 17' 7.5." Team Place 8th of 12 teams.

BOYS

1,600 Racewalk (13 competitors): Michael Jones 12th 10:14.00. 110 Hurdles (13 competitors): Avry Griffin 1st 15.64 (tied his own school record). 100 Dash (28 competitors): Brett Hastings 24th 12.91. 300 Hurdles (17 competitors): Avry Griffin 1st* 41.36 (broke the school record). 200 Dash (20 competitors): Avry Griffin 6th* 24.65. 3,200 M (12 competitors): Gaelan Boyle-Wight 11th 11:50.20. 4x400 Relay (11 teams): Michael Jones, Ricco Call, Gaelan Boyle-Wight, Brett Hastings 11th 4:31.98. Discus (unknown # competitors): Aaron Vermette 8th 96' 6." Javelin (17 competitors): Joe Dillon 16th 101' 5." Long Jump (20 competitors): Aaron Vermette 13th 16' 11.5." Brett Hastings 20th 13' 6." Triple Jump (15 competitors): Aaron Vermette 7th 36' 9." High Jump (15 competitors): Aaron Vermette 3rd 5' 4." Team Place 11th of 13 teams.

TMS Varsity Baseball

Oxford Hills 3, Telstar 2; May 24-The Telstar MS Varsity Baseball team played an awesome game, but came up a little short. Devin Cole-Mason pitched the first 2 innings and struck out 2, while Tyler Hill pitched the last five innings and struck out 4. Orion Fournier lead the team in hitting, going 2-3 with 2 singles. While Max Kruse, Austin Westleigh, Cain Shatzer, Tyler Hill, and Devin Cole-Mason all had hits in the game. The team is now 2-5-1 for the season. - Coach Tim O'Connor

Mt. Valley 8, Telstar 6; May 26-The improved Telstar MS Varsity Baseball team lost a close game. Cain Shatzer pitched 4 and 1/3 innings with 5 strikeouts with a very focused job on the mound. The team came out in the first inning scoring 4 runs with two outs and added 2 more runs in the 5th inning. Tyler Hill continues to swing a hot bat going 3-3 with 3 singles and two RBIs and Austin Westleigh went 2-3 with a double and a single with 3 RBI's. The team is now 2-6-1 for the season. - Coach Tim O'Connor

MLT National Trails Day workday

The Mahoosuc Land Trust is hosting a trail workday on Rumford Whitecap as one of more than 2,400 national events that are part of National Trails Day®, organized by the American Hiking Society.

Celebrate Great Outdoors Month by joining the Land Trust's Whitecap Stewardship Committee in their annual trail maintenance activities on Rumford Whitecap on Saturday, June 4. Enjoy iconic Rumford Whitecap while joining in spring stewardship activities.

Interested volunteers should meet in the parking area on the East Andover Road in Rumford for a 9 a.m. start. Please wear appropriate work clothing and footwear. Bring bug and sun protection, plenty of water, snacks and lunch.

In addition, please bring light tools such as rakes, clippers, loppers, shovels and work gloves. Refreshments will be served at the end of the work day at approximately 3 p.m.

The Mahoosuc Land Trust is an accredited community land trust encouraging public interest in conservation in central Oxford County and eastern Coos County, N.H., supporting a balance of growth and conservation and emphasizing sustainable and traditional land uses. For more information visit www.mahoosuc.org or call 207-824-3806.

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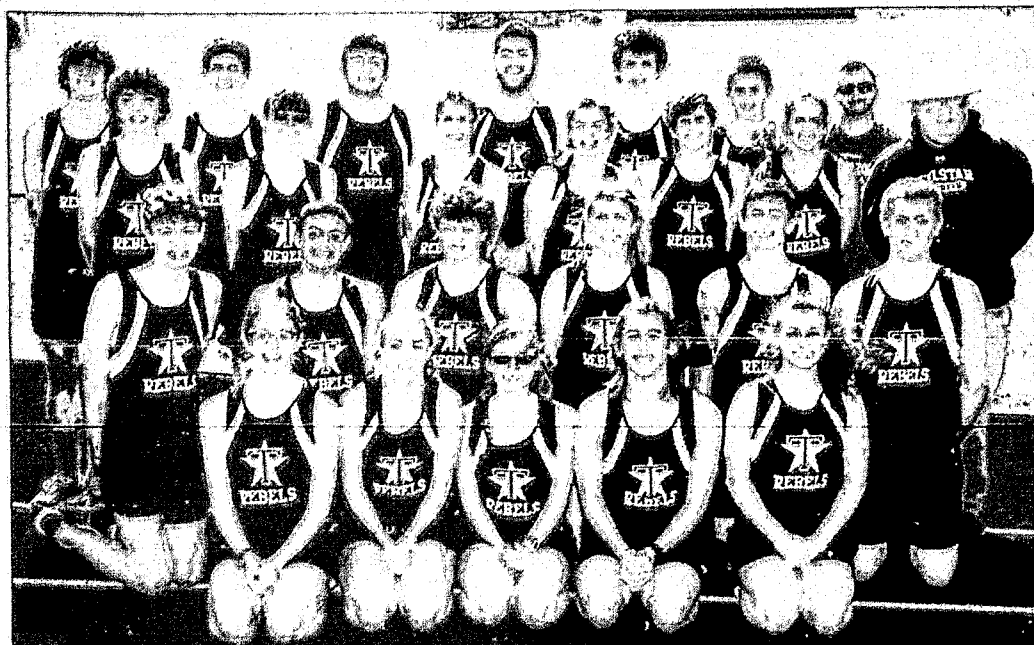
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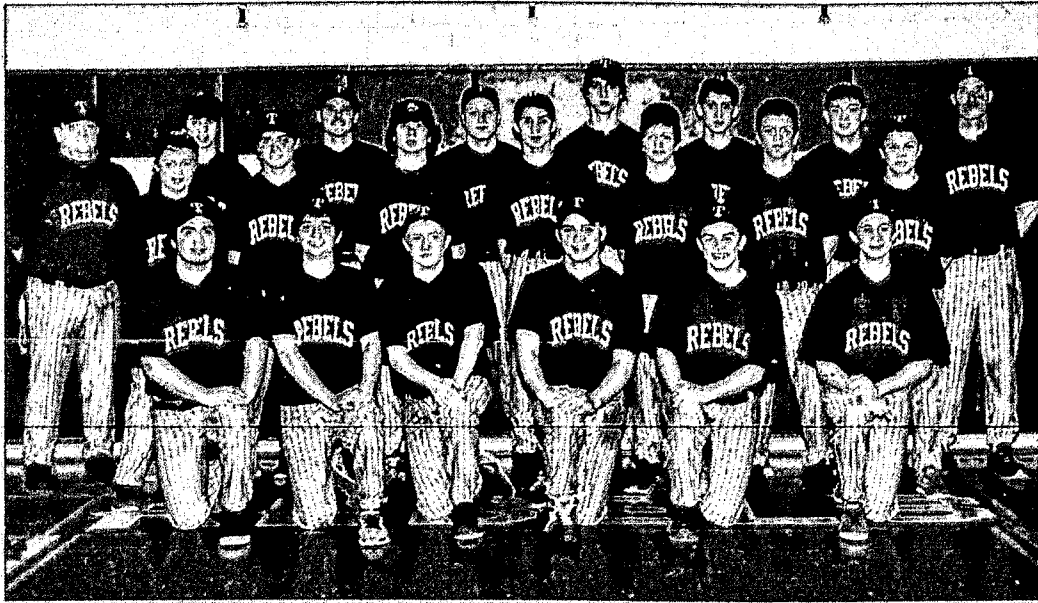
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Telstar High School 2016 Spring Sports Teams



TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 2016 TRACK & FIELD
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 Second row kneeling: McKinley Braley, Brett Hastings, Joe Dillon, India Orino, Avry Griffin, Elijah Mason. Standing back two rows: Lukas McGetchin, Gaelan Boyle-Wight, Aaron Vermette, Kristi Hanscom, Matt Morin, Kaity Killam, Jeremiah Richardson, Kaitlyn Brown, Gabe Pasternack, Bethany Laird, Michael Jones, Marta Ople, Coach Josh Kennison, Coach David Leclerc.



TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 2016 BASEBALL
 Front: Jahmal Bartlett, Hunter Williamson, Russell Cushman, Fabian Corriveau, Boston Ludden, Zac Hill. Middle: Colby Marriott, Austin Corriveau, Reggie Westleigh, Shawn Mador, Joe Sicotte, Bobby Sicotte, Tristen Lilly. Back: Coach John Elliot, Jordan McGetchin, Kellen True, Jarrett Bean, Tanner Wheeler, Tom Watson, Josh Elliot, Coach Tim Hill.



TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 2016 VARSITY SOFTBALL
 Front: Blair Stevens, Becca Howard, Olivia York, Tehya Johnson, Taylor Merrill. Middle: Kylee Martin, Lisa Gammon, Ashley Savage, Emily Philbrick, Tasha Hart. Back: Savannah Vermette, Bri Vitale, Cassidy Smith, Dharma Damon, Hayley Peterson, Naomi Carr.



TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 2016 JV SOFTBALL
 Front: Sonja Farrington, Sierra Ryerson, Tashawna York, Allvia Chapple. Middle: Georgina Plawlock, Xi Whitehead, Josie Forbes, Caitlin Casey. Back: Sarah Bartlett, Julia Cherkis, Abby Harrington, Taylor Mason, Hannah Evans. Absent: - Hattie Doyle.

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Gould Academy MAISAD Championship Teams



The Gould Academy Girls' Varsity Lacrosse Team won the MAISAD Championship May 21 with a 9-5 win over Hebron Academy. They are pictured here with their trophy.



On May 21 the Gould Academy Varsity Baseball team defeated Hebron Academy in a close 2-1 win for the MAISAD Championship.

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Sen. John Patrick candidate for re-election



Senator John L. Patrick of Rumford has announced his candidacy for re-election to the Maine State Senate, representing District 18, according to a press release.

The district includes Andover, Bethel, Buckfield, Byron, Canton, Dixfield, Gilead, Greenwood, Hanover, Hartford, Hebron, Lincoln Plantation, Lovell, Magalloway Plantation, Mexico, Milton Twp., Newry, Peru, Roxbury, Rumford, Albany

Twp., Mason Twp., Stoneham, Stow, Sumner, Sweden, Upton, Waterford, West Paris and Woodstock in Oxford County and Livermore and Livermore Falls in Androscoggin County.

First elected to the Senate in 2010, Patrick is a member of the Veterans and Legal Affairs Committee and former member of the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Committee, and has provided a strong voice for the working families in Western Maine. In the 2012-2014 session, he chaired the Labor, Commerce, Research, and Economic Development Committee and continues to serve on the committee in the current session.

He served four terms in the Maine House of Representatives from 1999-2007 and served one term on the Labor Committee and four terms on the Le-

gal and Veterans Affairs Committee, two terms as House chair.

Patrick is a current member and former chair of Maine's Citizens Trade Policy Commission. Throughout his legislative career, Patrick has fought for working people, investment in roads and bridges, services for seniors and veterans, and ethics reforms. Senator Patrick has served as Senate chair of the State Education and Employment Outcomes Task Force, a group charged with overseeing the development of a system to provide students and their families with information that will help them make higher education decisions leading to employment.

As he continues his legislative career, Patrick is committed to working to lower property taxes for working families and se-

niors, protecting Social Security and Medicare, lowering healthcare costs and increasing access to quality healthcare for all Mainers, establishing lobbying reforms to bring more disclosure and transparency to our political process and working for jobs that pay a livable wage by investing in people, innovation and Maine's small businesses. He believes that an overhaul of Maine's tax structure is essential for the growth of Maine, and is committed to continuing to develop effective methods to combat fraud and abuse in public assistance and other state programs. In 2015, Patrick received Legislator of the Year honors from the Maine American Legion, and the Edie Beaulieu Legislative Award from the Maine AFL-CIO.

A journeyman mechanic for the Catalyst Pa-

per Company and its predecessors, for the last 35 years, Patrick is a former President of Local 900 now the United Steel Workers Union and a past board member of the Maine AFL-CIO. He served four years as a board member of the St. Athanasius and St. John's School, as well as three years on the SAD 43 board. He is a past member of the board of the River Valley Technology Center. Patrick is a member, and past president, of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, during which time he led the rebuilding of the facility into the vital community asset it is today. He is a member of the Maine Snowmobile Association, Rumford Polar Bears, Webb River Valley Sportsman's Club, the Sportsman's Alliance of Maine and a member of the St. Athanasius and St. John's Church/Parish of the Holy

Savior.

A 1972 graduate of Mexico High School, and lifelong resident of the River Valley, Patrick has been married to the former Claire M. Coulombe of Rumford for 38 years and has three adult children and two grandchildren. He enjoys gardening, and outdoor sports including fishing, hunting and snowmobiling and is a skilled pool player.

"I would like to continue public service representing Western Maine people in the legislature and I look forward to talking with voters as I go door to door. I have always believed that the knowledge gained talking with voters is my biggest asset," Patrick stated. "Voters may reach me at 364-7666 or by e-mailing Patrick-Senate14@gmail.com, or visiting my Facebook pages."

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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District Exchange; Bethel Park, 23 Mason Street, Bethel. Hours: Monday 1 to 4 p.m., Thursday 4 to 6 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Donations of gently-used clothing only accepted during open hours - No exceptions. FMI: 824-4090. Clothing may also be left at Northeast Bank, Main Street, Bethel Monday through Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Thursday and Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Bethel Area Food Pantry; serving the residents of Albany, Andover, Bethel, East Bethel, West Bethel, Bryant Pond, Gilead, Greenwood, Hanover, Locke's Mills, Mason Township, Newry, Upton and Woodstock. The Food Pantry is open on the second Monday of each month from noon to 8 p.m. Anyone in need of food should come during those hours, without appointment. The Food pantry is located in the basement of the Nazarene Church, 16 Church Street, Bethel, by the side entrance on Park Street. Donations for the Bethel Food Pantry should be left on the porch at 57 Elm Street. Contact Dave Bean at beand@gouldacademy.org or 824-0369 with any questions.

Free Indoor Walking Group; 6:30 p.m. Monday and Wednesday with Denise Hurd at Andover Elementary School.

Thursday, June 2

Special Town Meeting; Andover School Department Budget. 7 p.m. at the Town Hall.

WMAG First Friday Reception; 5 to 7 p.m., The Main Street Gallery, 426 Main Street, Norway. As a special event, Rochelle will show a series of oversized paintings - Nature, Beauty, Myth and Magic - at the Matolsky Art Center at 480 Main Street. FMI: westernmaineartgroup.org.

Saturday, June 4

Bethel Library Plant Sale; 9 to 10 a.m. on the lawn next to the Bethel Library at 5 Broad Street. Get there early to buy affordable perennials donated by local gardeners. If you'd like to donate plants or want more information, call the library at 824-2520 or Susan Day at 824-2741 or Susan Parker at 824-4767. The sale takes place rain or shine.

MLT Trail Work Day at Rumford Whitecap; Meet at 9 a.m. at the parking area on the East Andover Road in Rumford. Wear appropriate work clothing and footwear. Bring water, snacks, lunch, bug and sun protection and small tools such as clippers, loppers, shovels, rakes. Refreshments served at the end of the day (3 p.m.).

Rhubarb Festival and White Elephant Sale; 9 a.m. to noon, First Universalist Church of West Paris, Main Street, West Paris. Homemade rhubarb pies, cakes, cookies and more. FMI: Beverly Stevens (739-0767 or bsteven@megalink.net) or Suzanne Dunham (dunhamfarms@msn.com or 665-2967).

Community Yard Sale and Vendor Event; 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Oxford Hills Middle School, North Campus Football Fields at 100 Pine Street in South Paris. Rent a spot at the football field for \$10. Proceeds benefit #AQuestforCommunityOHMS, for the school and donations to a charity or cause that is important to the students.

Summer Volunteer Fire Dept. Women's Auxiliary Annual Yard Sale; 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Sumner Fire Dept., Route 219, Sumner. Donations of gently used items are greatly appreciated, as well as house and/or garden plants. There will also be a "Sun, Sand and Surf" Raffle consisting of many items one would use for a day at the beach or one of our many great State of Maine Parks. Tickets

are \$1 each or 6 tickets for \$5. The winner will be drawn at the close of the yard sale. FMI/Donations: Wilda Dunham (207-388-2981) or Charlotte Blier (207-577-4271).

Living Gluten Free Cooking Workshop; 10 a.m. to 12 noon, Dunham Farm, 29 Dunham Road, Greenwood. Instructor: Suzanne Dunham. This workshop will teach participants to bake with alternative flours, such as coconut flour and almond flour, and make gluten free tortillas that are egg and dairy free. Suzanne and her husband have operated a dedicated gluten free commercial kitchen at their farm for four years. Suzanne has been giving living gluten free seminars and workshops for over 10 years. Tuition: \$15. FMI/Registration: <http://sad44.maineadulted.org> or 824-2136 ext. 1340.

Monday, June 6

Socrates Café Meeting; 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Waterford Library. Topic for discussion: What Does It Take To Change Our Minds? Moderator: Earl Morse. Light refreshments provided. FMI call 583-6957.

Wednesday, June 8

Bethel Senior Citizens Meeting/Luncheon; 11 a.m., Sudbury Inn, Main Street, Bethel. Menu options: Pork cordon bleu with vegies or soup of the day with chicken wrap. \$10 per person. Reservations must be made prior to June 1 by calling Alene Lowell with your choice.

June 8 and June 16

Make Water Kefir; - 2 classes offered: June 8 at 6 p.m. or June 16 at 7 p.m. 1 hour, \$20. Tanya Quarterman. Water Kefir is a healthy, probiotic drink. A natural carbonation occurs through the fermentation process, making it an excellent substitute for sodas and colas. Fun and easy to make, kids love it, too. Make many flavors including ginger ale, blackberry, blueberry, strawberry, apple, and kiwi. Kefir grains included with the class cost. To sign up call: 824-2136 x1340 or online at: <http://sad44.maineadulted.org/>

Saturday, June 11

Texas Hold'em; Jackson-Silver Post 68, American Legion, 595 Gore Rd., Locke Mills. Doors open at 11 a.m., games begin at noon. Meals and beverages available.

Sunday, June 12

US Air Force Traveling Band, Langley Winds; 3 p.m., Telstar High School. Presented by the Mahosuc Arts Council. Free to the public.

Tuesday, June 14

Budget Validation Referendum; all SAD 44 Towns.

School Budget Referendum Voting Day; Andover, Town Hall from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Thursday, June 16

Breau's Too Cruise Night; 5 to 7 p.m., Breau's Too parking lot, Bryant Pond. FMI: 665-2554.

Okay, Let's Dance; 7 p.m., Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School auditorium. Presented by Expansion Arts and Art Moves Dance Studios. Tickets may be purchased at either studio, Books 'n' Things or at the door on show night. FMI: 743-5589 or 890-0514.

Saturday, June 18

Car Wash & Bottle Drive; 9-noon, at the Bethel Congregational Church to benefit youthattending the UCC National Youth Event in July.

Bolsters Mills United Methodist Church Chicken Pie Supper; Sittings at 5 and 6 p.m. (third sitting to follow if necessary). Menu: chick-

en pie, mashed potato, gravy, vegetables, rolls, beverages and dessert. \$10 per person \$5 for children under 12. Reservations can be made Saturday morning only between 9 a.m. and noon (583-9024).

Sunday, June 19

Finnish-American Heritage Society of Maine monthly meeting; 2 p.m. at 8 Maple Street, West Paris. Following a short business meeting, we will be showing the film "Aatsinki - The Story of Arctic Cowboys," one year in the life of a family of reindeer herders in Finnish Lapland. A study of hard work, earned leisure, and an intricate bond between land and nature. In Finnish with English subtitles, the film was a New York Times "critic's pick." The public is welcome to join in viewing the film and enjoying the coffee table.

Saturday, June 25

Bethel Rotary Annual Auction and Yard Sale; Telstar High School. The yard sale begins at 8 a.m. There will be an auction preview at 5:30, followed by the auction at 6:30 p.m. FMI: (207) 653-9297.

Bethel American Legion Auxiliary Yard Sale; 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Legion Hall, Vernon Street, Bethel. Tables and space inside will be available for \$15; space outside will also be \$15, but tables will not be provided. Space is limited, so advance reservations and deposits are needed (contact Barb Dion at 824-3122 before June 19). There will also be a bake sale and lunch available.

Sunday, June 26

RPC's 4th Annual Fun Dog Day; 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Oxford Fair Grounds. Fundraising dog walk, dog show, contests, games, working dog and agility demonstrations, kids' activities, food, raffles, vendors, and more. Family-friendly, dogs welcome. Celebrating dogs and dog lovers. For walker registration and more information call Morgan at (207) 418-7986 or visit www.rpc.petfinder.com and Facebook.

Wednesday, June 29

Community Supper; 4:30-6 p.m. (no charge) Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walkers Mills Rd. (across from the Telstar parking lot). Call 207-824-2289 for more information

Saturday, July 16

Bolsters Mills United Methodist Church Chicken Pie Supper; Sittings at 5 and 6 p.m. (third sitting to follow if necessary). Menu: chicken pie, mashed potato, gravy, vegetables, rolls, beverages and dessert. \$10 per person \$5 for children under 12. Reservations can be made Saturday morning only between 9 a.m. and noon (583-9024).

Thursday, July 21

Breau's Too Cruise Night; 5 to 7 p.m., Breau's Too parking lot, Bryant Pond. FMI: 665-2554.

Saturday, Aug. 13

Waterford Library's Summer Gala; 6-9:30 p.m. Silent Auction, Hors D'oeuvres, Wine, Music. Auction Bidding 6:30-8:30. \$3 per person; \$5 a couple. Black Tie optional.

Thursday, Aug. 18

Breau's Too Cruise Night; 5 to 7 p.m., Breau's Too parking lot, Bryant Pond. FMI: 665-2554.

Saturday, Aug. 20

Bolsters Mills United Methodist Church Chicken Pie Supper; Sittings at 5 and 6 p.m. (third sitting to follow if necessary). Menu: chicken pie, mashed potato, gravy, vegetables, rolls, beverages and dessert. \$10 per person \$5 for children under 12. Reservations can be made Saturday morning only between 9 a.m. and noon (583-9024).

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THS's Blair Stevens Region 9 Student of the Year

The Region 9 School of Applied Technology has named Blair Stevens of Bethel as its Student of the Year for 2015-16. Stevens, a senior at Telstar High School, completed the Region 9 CNA program this year.

Telstar Freshman Academy studies energy systems



Telstar freshmen visit the Spruce Mountain Wind project in Woodstock. Submitted photo

A few weeks ago, the Telstar Freshman Academy finished a unit called Energy Systems. Some of the Essential Questions we investigated were:

What is energy?
What is the history of energy production and consumption on earth?
How does energy impact earth systems?
How have humans impacted the earth through their use of energy?
What is the future of energy use on Earth?

Can we reduce the impact of energy use on Earth?

After studying the different forms of energy in Science, students worked in small groups to create Rube Goldberg devices which incorporated at least 5 energy transformations in their operation.

Simultaneously, in History class, students chose a field in which they were interested, (for example Communication) and traced the history of invention and innovation in that field, presenting their findings to their classmates.

In their Project Based Learning class, students investigated wind turbines blades and wind propelled vehicles, fine tuning and testing their designs for both. Students took a field trip to visit the

Spruce Mountain Wind Project and the Mt. Abram Solar Array, to see these technologies in action.

For their final projects, students were challenged to invent or innovate a product or device that would solve an everyday problem. The device also had to use only renewable energy sources in order to operate. Students followed the design process, which included identifying a problem, researching, brainstorming solutions, and evaluating designs. The student teams then presented their final design and a model of the product to a "Shark Tank" panel of business leaders from the community.

Models presented included a teddy bear for kids with cancer, a biodegradable puffin habitat, and a water collection system that generated both clean water and electricity, to name just a few. Panel members were impressed with both the designs and presentations of the TFA students, and even deemed some of them "ready for market."

Panel members included Ian Blair, Skip Bennett, Dave Murphy, Scott Murphy, Jim Sysko, Jessie Perkins, Dana Bullen and Allen Connors.

Students reflect on D.C. trip, Telstar Freshman Academy

By AMY WIGHT CHAPMAN

Three Telstar freshmen addressed the SAD 44 School Board recently to report on this year's freshman class trip to Washington, D.C. and share their reflections on the Telstar Freshman Academy program in general.

The 48 students who participated in the trip visited museums, monuments, the Library of Congress, Capitol, Supreme Court, and other government and history sites.

They took a night-time tour of the city, saw lions, tigers, flamingos, exotic fish, and a baby panda at the National Zoo, and were awed by the Hope Diamond and the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial.

Koley True described seeing the New York skyline as they passed by on the bus, navigating the D.C. subway system, and learning that a nine-mile bus ride (from the 4-H Center, where the group stayed, to the heart of Washington, D.C.) could take 45 minutes or more in city traffic.

Students were divided into three groups, with each group visiting different sites on each of the three full days they spent in the city.

True said their teachers took time to ensure that every student was in a group with at least one close friend, but also with other students they may not have known well prior to the trip.

"It was groups of people that were combined with other groups, so I made a lot of new friends on the trip, and it was a lot of fun to be with other people," she said.

"My absolute favorite place that we went was the National Botanical Gardens," True said. "It was so beautiful, and it was absolutely amazing to see all the different kinds of plant species."

Crystal Chapman said her favorite memorial was the one dedicated to Martin Luther King, Jr., because it brought the civil rights movement, a part of American history she had learned about each year in school, to life.

"In elementary school, the librarian would read to us...about Martin Luther King and all that he accomplished," she said. "It's something that's really important, and it was just awesome seeing it." Chapman described learning about DNA testing at the Natural History Museum, seeing the butterfly exhibit, and capturing a video of lions and tigers roaring at the zoo.

"It was so loud! You [usually] only see it in movies, but if you're there, you can

hear it everywhere," she said.

Her favorite experience overall, Chapman said, was "just being there, and bonding with our teachers...getting to know them as actual people, rather than just as teachers."

Tom Watson said among the high points of the trip for him were seeing the exhibit of World War II planes at the Air and Space Museum, as well as the Washington Monument.

"I thought it was really funny how I could look up at it and almost fall over," he said.

Watson said he was not enthusiastic about the TFA program when the year began.

"I didn't like the sound of this program whatsoever," he said. "A little before Washington, I realized that they're actually trying to start something good out of this."

True said there were some freshmen who opted not to go on the D.C. trip.

"I'm so glad I made the decision to go, because you can learn about this stuff in a classroom, but then when you're actually there, hands-on, it's so surreal that you get to see everything that you learned about," she said.

"I'm so much more interested in government now; and politics, and everything that goes on. You see on the news the Capitol building, but then to know that I was actually in there...and I was standing right where the President was, or something like that, it has a big impact on you."

Each of the students thanked the School Board for their support of the five-day field trip and the TFA program.

Chapman said her best advice for incoming freshmen is "to come into it [TFA] with an open mind. Open your mind to it and just look for all the different opportunities that the students will get."

"I will never forget this year," she said. "To be honest, I didn't come into it with an open mind. I didn't think that it was a good idea, but I've changed my mind."

"It's really done a lot for me. It's opened my mind up. We've had a lot of working on ourselves, and how we are around other people, and how you learn, and how you present yourself and act around other people."

"We get to learn, and figure ourselves out at the same time."



The Bethel Farmers' Market on Parkway had its opening day on Saturday. D. Bennett

NOTICE OF TAKING

The State of Maine by its Department of Transportation does hereby give notice to all whom it may concern:

That the Department of Transportation, in accordance with Title 23 M.R.S.A. Sections 651 and 151 to 159, has determined that public exigency requires the taking in fee simple all lands as hereinafter described together with any buildings thereon, and all rights in land specified and as shown on a Maine Department of Transportation Right-of-Way Map entitled, "Acquisition Plan for Additional Land, State of Maine, Bethel Maintenance Lot, State Highway 25", (U.S. Route 2), Bethel, Oxford County, Maine" dated April 2013 and revised April 26, 2016, WIN 20164.00, on file at the Augusta office of the Department of Transportation, DOT File No. 9-144A, and to be recorded at the Registry of Deeds of Oxford County (Eastern Division), a print of which is on file at the office of the County Commissioners of Oxford County.

DESCRIPTION OF FEE TAKING

All land, buildings, improvements, and rights in land described as follows are hereby taken in fee simple:

Parcel No. 1

Beginning at a point in the present northwesterly line of State Highway "25" (U.S. Route 2), said point being fifty (50) feet northwesterly from and as measured along a line normal to the State Highway "25" (U.S. Route 2) Base established under Federal Aid Project No. F-025-1 (12), S.H.C. File No. (9-115), at Station 234+40, said referenced plan being recorded at the Oxford County Registry of Deeds (Eastern Division) in Plan Book H, Page 28;

Thence N. 19°13'04" E. along the present northwesterly line of land now or formerly of Stanley W. Roberts Revocable Trust, and the present southeasterly line of land now or formerly of Chadbourne Tree Farms, LLC, two hundred fifty-two and seventy-two hundredths (252.72) feet to a point;

Thence N. 57°19'42" W. one hundred forty-one and thirteen hundredths (141.13) feet to a point;

Thence N. 63°36'05" W. fifty-seven and fifty hundredths (57.50) feet to a point at the easterly corner of land of the State of Maine as acquired on October 12, 1964, by deed recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 634, Page 613 and designated as Parcel No. 1 in said deed;

Thence S. 26°25'18" W. along the present southwesterly line of land of said State of Maine, one hundred eighty and no hundredths (180.00) feet to the southerly corner of land of said State of Maine, and marked by an iron pin;

Thence N. 63°34'42" W. along the present southwesterly line of land of said State of Maine, two hundred thirty-nine and seventy-one hundredths (239.71) feet to the westerly corner of land of said State of Maine, marked by an iron pin;

Thence N. 28°14'45" E. along the present northwesterly line of land of said State of Maine, one hundred eighty and no hundredths (180.00) feet to the northerly corner of land of said State of Maine, marked by an iron pin;

Thence N. 36°29'20" W. fifty-six and twenty-five hundredths (56.25) feet to a point;

Thence S. 26°14'45" W. two hundred eighty-nine and eighty-one hundredths (289.81) feet to a point;

Thence S. 63°34'42" E. five hundred two and sixty-three hundredths (502.63) feet to the point of beginning.

Parcel No. 2

Beginning at a point in the present northwesterly line of State Highway "25" (U.S. Route 2), said point being fifty (50) feet northwesterly from and as measured along a line normal to the State Highway "25" (U.S. Route 2) Base Line at Station 238+11.5;

Thence N. 31°10'15" W. thirty-six and twenty-five hundredths (36.25) feet to the point of beginning of the following described Parcel No. 2;

Thence N. 31°10'15" W. along the present northeasterly line of land now or formerly of Chadbourne Tree Farms, LLC, one hundred twenty-three and fifty-one hundredths (123.51) feet to the easterly corner of land of the State of Maine as acquired on October 12, 1964, by deed recorded at the Oxford County Registry of Deeds in Book 634, Page 613, and designated as Parcel No. 2 in said deed;

Thence S. 26°14'45" W. along the present southeasterly line of land of said State of Maine, about one hundred seventy-five and seven tenths (175.7) feet to a point;

Thence S. 57°19'42" E. one hundred thirty-eight and fifteen hundredths (138.15) feet to a point in the present southeasterly line of land of said Chadbourne Tree Farms, LLC, and the present northwesterly line of land now or formerly of Stanley W. Roberts Revocable Trust;

Thence N. 19°13'04" E. along the present southeasterly line of land of said Chadbourne Tree Farms, LLC, one hundred twenty-three and fifty-six hundredths (123.56) feet to the point of beginning.

Parcel No. 3

Beginning at the northerly corner of land of the State of Maine as acquired on October 12, 1964, by deed recorded at the Oxford County Registry of Deeds (Eastern Division) in Book 634, Page 613, designated as Parcel No. 2 in said deed, and marked by an iron pin;

Thence N. 32°11'18" W. along the present northeasterly line of land of Chadbourne Tree Farms, LLC, thirty-one and seventy-eight hundredths (31.78) feet to a point in the northerly corner of land of said Chadbourne Tree Farms, LLC, and the southeasterly corner of land now or formerly of Stanley W. Roberts Revocable Trust;

Thence S. 60°40' W. along the present northwesterly line of land of said Chadbourne Tree Farms, LLC, forty and fifty-five hundredths (40.55) feet to a point;

Thence S. 26°14'45" W. three hundred twenty-one and forty-six hundredths (321.46) feet to a point;

Thence S. 36°29'20" E. fifty-six and twenty-five hundredths (56.25) feet to a point in the present northwesterly line of land of said State of Maine;

Thence N. 26°14'45" E. along the present northwesterly line of land of said State of Maine, three hundred sixty-six and fifty-four hundredths (366.54) feet to the point of beginning.

Right-of-Way Extension

Also hereby taking an extension of an existing twenty (20) foot wide Right-of-Way of the State of Maine as described in deed recorded at the Oxford County Registry of Deeds (Eastern Division) in Book 603, Page 3, said Right-of-Way extension boundaries being described as follows:

Description of Right-of-Way Extension

Beginning at the northwesterly corner of land of the State of Maine, as acquired on November 21, 1960 by deed recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 603, Page 3;

Thence N. 63°34'40" W. along the present southwesterly line of land of the State of Maine, as acquired by deed recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 634, Page 513 (Parcel No. 2), fifty and no hundredths (50.00) feet to the westerly corner of land of said State of Maine;

Thence N. 26°14'45" E. along the present northwesterly line of land of said State of Maine, two and five tenths (2.5) feet to a point;

Thence N. 36°29'20" W. fifty-six and twenty-five hundredths (56.25) feet to a point;

Thence S. 26°14'45" W. twenty-two and five tenths (22.5) feet to a point;

Thence S. 36°29'20" E. fifty-six and twenty-five hundredths (56.25) feet to the northerly corner of land of the State of Maine, as acquired by deed recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 634, Page 513 (Parcel No. 1);

Thence S. 63°34'42" E. along the present northeasterly line of land of the State of Maine, fifty and no hundredths (50.00) feet to a point;

Thence N. 26°14'45" E. along the northwesterly line of the present Right-of-Way of the State of Maine, twenty and no hundredths (20.00) feet to the point of beginning.

EXCEPTIONS AND RESERVATIONS

There is excepted and reserved from the before described taking in fee simple:

All existing utility company rights-of-way and/or easements, however acquired, and located within the aforescribed boundaries, EXCEPTING any that may be specifically set forth in the hereinafter INFORMATIVE SUMMARY.

INFORMATIVE SUMMARY

The following is a list summarizing the parcel or item numbers, names of apparent owners of record of land and rights involved, estimated areas, and rights affected, within and adjacent to the before-referenced highway boundaries, as shown on the beforementioned right-of-way map:

Parcel/Item No.	Apparent Owner	Area	Slopes	Drainage	Temp. Const. Rights	Other Rights & Bldgs.
1	Chadbourne Tree Farms, LLC	1.95 Ac.	None	None	None	None
2	Chadbourne Tree Farms, LLC	0.375 Ac.	None	None	None	None
3	Chadbourne Tree Farms, LLC	0.41 Ac.	None	None	None	None
4	Chadbourne Tree Farms, LLC	None	None	None	None	Right of Way Extension

The Department of Transportation directs that this Notice of Taking be recorded in the Registry of Deeds of Oxford County (Eastern District) and filed with the Town Clerk of the Town of Bethel and with the County Commissioners of Oxford County and published in the "Bethel Citizen" a newspaper of general circulation in the County where said highway is located, and also directs that a copy of the Right-of-Way Map be filed with the County Commissioners of said County and also that Notice be sent by Certified Mail to any Owners and Mortgagees of Record.

Dated at Augusta, Maine 4-22-16 • State of Maine Department of Transportation David Bernhardt, Commissioner

Personally appeared above named David Bernhardt, Commissioner, Department of Transportation, and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed in his said capacity and the free act and deed of the State of Maine.

Before me, Cheryl Martin Hunt - Notary Public State of Maine - My commission expires December 5, 2017

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Obituaries



CHARLOTTE H. BRADEEN

Charlotte Hicks Bradeen, 91, of East Sumner passed away peacefully on May 30, 2016 surrounded by her family.

She was born Sept. 18, 1924 in East Sumner, the daughter of Harley and Mary Hicks. Charlotte was a graduate of Buckfield High School. She and Vernon W. Bradeen were married January 16, 1944. Charlotte was a member of the East Sumner Congregational Church and the Buckfield Literary Club.

She is survived by her husband of 72 years; her children Karen Russell, Verna Cooper and David Bradeen; grandchildren Elizabeth Clayton, Emily Russell, Sarah Bly, Shawna Bradeen, Lisa Cooper and Charles "Mickey" Cooper; eight great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Charlotte was predeceased by her brother Bill Hicks and sister Ethelyn Hayward.

A memorial service will be held June 25 at 2 p.m. at the East Sumner Congregational Church.

Memorials in Charlotte's memory may be made to the East Sumner Congregational Church, 50 Main Street, East Sumner, Maine 04292.

Arrangements by Cliff Gray Cremation & Funeral Services, 60 Andrews Road, Bryant Pond.

Births



GORDON

Aaliah Rose Marie Gordon was born to Ashley Howard and Matthew A. Gordon on May 20, 2016 at 11:13 a.m. She weighed 9 pounds 13 and measured 21.75 inches. Aaliah joins her big sister Jaelynn.

Her maternal grandparents are Katrina Bailey of Bryant Pond, Ben Howard of Harrison, Great Grandmother Tina Howard of Albany and Uncle Kyle Mayberry.

Paternal grandparents are the late Lisa M. Standeven-Buckman, Peter A. Gordon and Susan Gordon of Greenwood and Uncles Terry, Peter M., and Harley Gordon, Alex Crockett and Aunt Shyllynn Buckman.

Open Air

By Tom Remington

God Gave Us The Resources

Don't get nervous! I'm not going to use this media pulpit to proselytize. I just want to take the opportunity to expose a bit of hypocrisy that shows itself in our programmed society these days.

I recently read where an educated PhD. (piled higher and deeper - wink, wink) said: "The resource extraction model is a dead-end." Wow! What a mouthful of hypocritical balderdash. Anyone that might suggest that we should stop using our resources, may lack understanding that man cannot survive without doing so, or is intentionally trying to mislead unsuspecting people.

Don't believe me? I challenge you to strip naked (in your privacy) and give "resource extraction" elimination a try. How long can you last? Or maybe you really can't begin.

Often the beginning stages of this cerebrum deficiency begins in school and many other places where humans are propagandized beyond reason about our environment and natural resources.

Already I can tell some are getting a bit on edge, but let me attempt to explain that being responsible agents of our resources is a good thing, but I think we can get a bit carried away, especially when an academic publicly announces that "the resource extraction model" is a dying practice in this world. What's the alternative? My follow-up question might become, who gets to decide which ones of us must die - for surely there is no other choice?

As a survivalist, which might be as close to ending resource extraction that you can get, you learn immediately that there are three

basic, but necessary, elements to survival - food, water, shelter. Last time I checked, most would choose to live a bit more luxuriously than eating bushes, clothing themselves with imagination, holing up in a cave (sharing with the bears and porcupines), and drinking water that drips from the ceiling of radon infused granite. However, please understand that the basic elements of survival require natural resource extraction.

Consider for a moment the silliness of seeking to end resource extraction. Most of us live in a house. Where do the materials to build a house come from? Please don't immediately respond with, "At the store." Inside our homes, they are, more or less, climate controlled, i.e. heated, perhaps with wood, oil, pellets, electric, solar and/or cooled in the summer months. All of these items demand resource extraction. Yes, even solar.

We clothe ourselves. Where, other than at the store, do the resources come from to make clothing? We drive cars. Cars require huge amounts of resource extraction to make, operate and maintain. Would you rather walk - barefoot - because you gave up resource extraction? I read recently that wearing shoes insulates us from the earth's magnetic benefits. Is enjoying the natural magnetic fields of the earth a form of resource extraction?

Try to imagine going without, or even seriously reducing, resource extraction - even if it was an absolute necessity. Before trying, think for a minute about your life and what you might be willing to give up because somebody told you the planet was going to disappear due to resource extraction: All food, cell-phone, television, water plumbed

into your house, artificial heat (wood, electric, oil, solar from panels, etc.), electricity (yes, from wind-mills and solar too) clothing, books to read, computers, cameras, cars, bicycles, anything made of wood, golf, skiing, football, soccer, no trails to hike, no transportation - to goods made and no goods delivered - no more roads, paper, medicines, hospitals and all the equipment to run it. And I've barely scratched the surface.

It can get overwhelming to consider the realities of the call to stop resource extraction. Maybe rational people would tone things down a bit and ask in what ways can we sensibly stop wasting the resources God gave us. We must eat and drink and we must have shelter. But, please, don't tell your neighbor what he can or cannot eat and drink or what kind of shelter meets with your approval.

The resources will last a long, long time even if we laugh at statements to end resource extraction. If you think it's important to save some resources, look at what you can willingly do and not what you can make everybody else do.

I'm reminded of an often told story by the late Maine humorist, Joe Perham. A local preacher noticed one of his parishioners had not been to church lately. After Sunday service the minister decided to ride out to see the farmer. When he arrived, he saw the farmer working his horses feverishly in the hot sun. He motioned for the farmer to come to him. "My, oh my!" exclaimed the preacher, "It's amazing what you and God have done to this field!"

Giving the young preacher man a bit of a scowl, the farmer answered, "Well, you should have seen it when God took care of it all by himself."

Gilead woman writes book on grieving for dogs

Lise McLain of Gilead has written a book now available on Amazon entitled "Grieving and Loving My Extraordinary Dogs: Lessons Learned From Trying, and Failing, to Save My Best Friends."

McLain writes of the book: As the title indicates, it about grieving and loving our pets but in some cases it is not accomplished appropriately in the best interest of the pet based on some faulty thought process. It is, of course, all done in the name of love and in the name of good intentions but those intentions are not good enough as it can sometimes cause needless suffering to the pet as well as others.

In one of my pet's situation I engaged in an imperfect belief system, thinking that I had to "save" Laney at all cost, and this, in turn, caused needless suffering to her and to me. Underneath this "saving mentality" is the fact that I did not want to let go of her but was forced to in the end. She died anyway.

I was, then, forced weeks later to examine how I participated in the

process of allowing useless treatment to be given to her and ended up paying over \$2,000 for her care. I knew that blaming others would not work so I had to examine my flawed thought process and was finally able to understand what happened and to never repeat my unsuitable behaviors. This took courage and commitment to explore my imperfect beliefs and to make positive changes for the sake of everyone involved as grieving can be a very difficult task at times.

I had several other dogs so I didn't want to cause them needless suffering when the time came for them to leave me, so I had to change my thinking and pay attention to what the dog was actually telling me. This is called loving the dog and letting go. As I discovered the dogs did, indeed, let me know that the end was here. I never repeated the tragic mistake that I did with Laney.

Furthermore, I was not raised with dogs nor did I have any dogs when I got married and raised children, so having dogs was a great learning

curve for me. Tragically, I made a serious mistake with Laney but I did learn from the experience.

Unquestionably, I want to show that for some people their pets are very important in their lives, and they are treated as such. For many, pets become family members, and they are allowed on the sofa as well as the bed. Some pet owners do not have any family members living nearby so their pets become loving companions for them. In my case, all four of my grand-children live in Tennessee so my dogs became my substitute grandchildren.

Additionally, the book shows different ways that I engaged in the grieving process when I lost my dogs. All of these helped me get over my great losses, and I was able to move on with my life.

For more on the book go to https://www.amazon.com/Grieving-Loving-My-Extraordinary-Dogs-ebook/dp/B01EXNG40Y/ref=sr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1462975997&sr=1-1&keywords=lise+dupont+mclain

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